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A GUIDE TO THE AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT IN OHIO

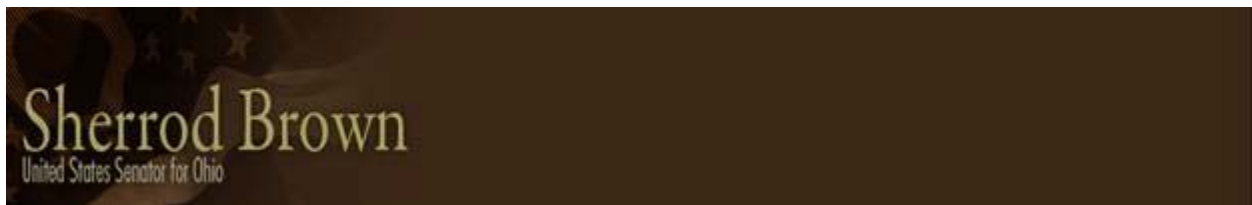
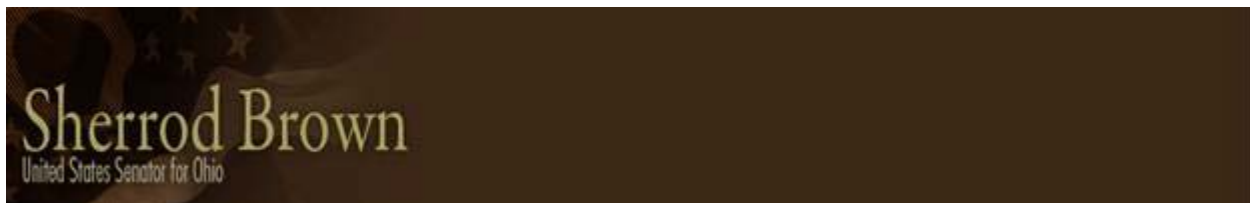


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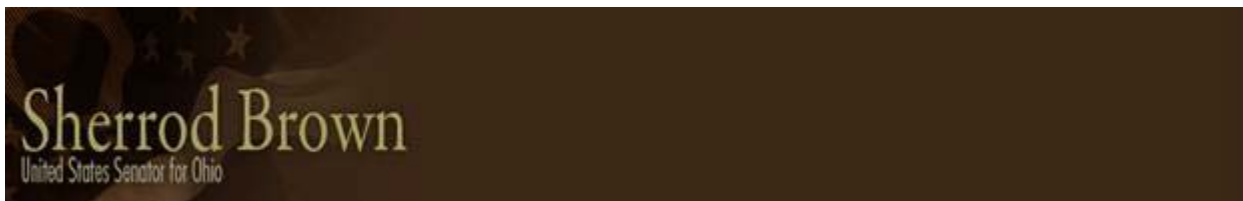
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FIRST STEPS

COMPETING FOR FEDERAL FUNDING OR LOAN GUARANTEES IN THE AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT

The purpose of this document is to provide Ohioans information on each source of federal funding included in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act.

Senator Brown has also established a Recovery Act webpage (www.brown.senate.gov) to provide updated information, including deadlines for proposal submissions.

As first steps, it is important to:

- 1) Identify the agency programs that represent the best potential source of funding for your project; and
- 2) Review the detailed information provided on the agency's website.

These steps alone may provide you enough guidance to move forward with your project. However, please don't hesitate to consult the rest of this guide or contact Senator Brown's office for additional assistance navigating the Recovery Act process.

To get started, below are listed funding programs in the bill and websites for the administering agencies:

Transportation & Infrastructure

Highways and Bridges

www.fhwa.dot.gov/economicrecovery/index.com

Mass Transit

www.fta.dot.gov/index_9118.html

Aviation

www.faa.gov

High Speed and Passenger Rail

www.fra.dot.gov/us/content/2153

Army Corps of Engineers

www.usace.army.mil/recovery/pages/default.aspx

Clean Water and Drinking Water

www.epa.gov/recovery/

Rural Broadband

For broadband, contact your local USDA Rural Development Office. You can locate the office at www.rurdev.usda.gov/oh/OFFICE%20MAP.pdf

Economic and Community Development

Community Development Block Grant

www.hud.gov/recovery/cdbg.xls

Brownfields Remediation

www.epa.gov/recovery/basic.html#overview

Small Business

<http://www.sba.gov/recovery/index.html>

Law Enforcement

Community Oriented Policing Services

<http://www.usdoj.gov/recovery/>

Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grants

<http://www.cops.usdoj.gov/Default.asp?Item=2108>

Internet Crimes Against Children Grants

<http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recoveryact.html>

Violence Against Women Grants

<http://www.ojdp.ncjrs.gov/recoveryact.html>

Crime Victims Compensation & Assistance

<http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/recovery.htm>

Fire Grants

<http://www.ojp.gov/ovc/fund/Recoveryfunds.html>

<http://www.firegrantsupport.com/AFG/> or

http://www.dhs.gov/xopnbiz/gc_1235067544334.shtm

Energy Investments

State Energy Program in Ohio

<http://www.energy.gov/recovery/>

Weatherization Assistance Program

http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/state_energy_program/

Energy Efficiency & Conservation

<http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/weatherization/>

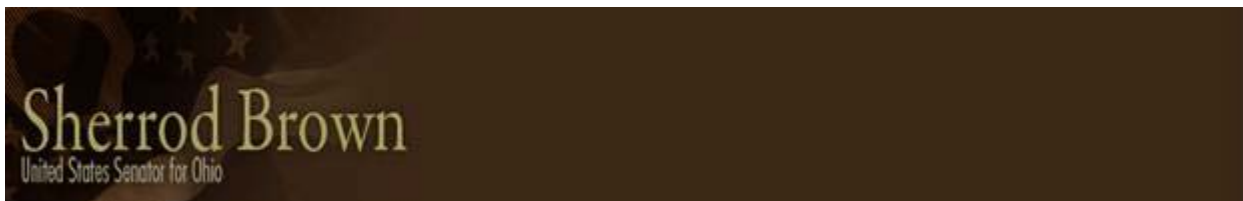
Advanced Battery Manufacturing

http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/wip/block_grants.cfm

Diesel Emission Reduction Grants

<http://www1.eere.energy.gov/hydrogenandfuelcells/>

<http://www.epa.gov/cleandiesel/>



Federal Energy Loan Guarantees

<http://www.lgprogram.energy.gov/>

Housing

Public Housing Capital Fund

<http://www.hud.gov/recovery>

HOME Investment Partnership Program

<http://www.hud.gov/local/index.cfm?state=oh>

<http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/affordablehousing/programs/home/index.cfm>

Energy and Green Retrofit Investments

<http://www.hud.gov/recovery/aheretrofith.cfm>

Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes

<http://www.hud.gov/recovery/healthy-homes.cfm>

Homelessness Prevention Fund

<http://www.hud.gov/recovery/homeless-prevention.cfm>

Education

State Fiscal Stabilization Fund

<http://www.ed.gov/policy/gen/leg/recovery/index.html>

<http://www.ed.gov/policy/gen/leg/recovery/factsheet/stabilization-fund.html>

Title I Education for the Disadvantaged

<http://www.ed.gov/policy/gen/leg/recovery/factsheet/title-i.html>

Special Education Part B State Grants

<http://www.ed.gov/policy/gen/leg/recovery/factsheet/idea.html>

Education Technology Funds

<http://www.ed.gov/programs/edtech/index.html>

College Affordability

<http://www.ed.gov/policy/gen/leg/recovery/factsheet/overview.html>

Pell Grants

<http://www.ed.gov/about/overview/budget/statetables/09arrastatetables.pdf>

Job Training Programs

<http://www.dol.gov/recovery/> or <http://jfs.ohio.gov/workforce/>

Low-Income Assistance

National School Lunch Program Equipment

<http://www.fns.usda.gov/fns/recovery/recovery-nsfp.htm> The

Emergency Food Assistance Program

<http://www.fns.usda.gov/fdd/programs/tefap/>

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program

<http://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/> or

<http://www.fns.usda.gov/fns/recovery/recovery-snap.htm>

Emergency Food and Shelter Program

<http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/efs.shtm> or

<http://www.efsp.unitedway.org/efsp/pages/about.htm>

Child Care and Development Block Grants

<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ccb/>

Head Start and Early Head Start

<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ohs/>

Child Support Enforcement

<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/cse/>

Community Services Block Grants

<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ocs/csbgr/> or

<http://www.odod.state.oh.us/CDD/ocs/>

Senior Meals Program

<http://www.aoa.gov/>

Rural

Rural Housing Insurance

www.rurdev.usda.gov/OH/

Rural Community Facilities

<http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/MA/housing.htm>

<http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/rhs/cf/cp.htm> or

<http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/oh/housingcf.htm>

Rural Water and Waste Disposal

<http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/oh/wtrwaste.htm>

Rural Broadband, Distance Learning

<http://www.usda.gov/rus/telecom/index.htm>

Watershed & Flood Control Infrastructure

<http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/watershed/>

Rural Law Enforcement

<http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recoveryact.html>

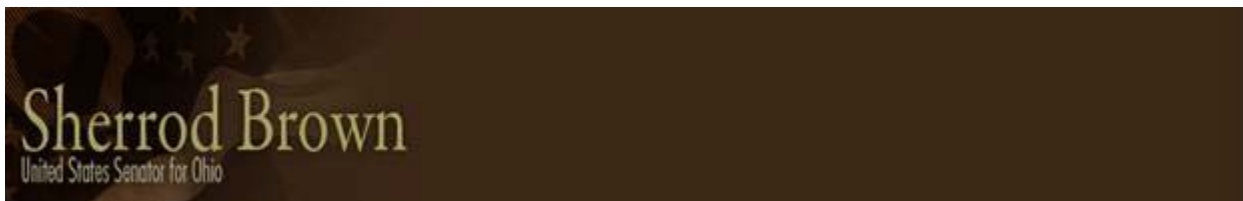
Health

Health Information Technology

<http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/>

<http://www.hhs.gov/healthit/>

Consult the following pages of this guide for more detailed information on each program.



OVERVIEW OF FEDERAL SPENDING PROVISIONS IN THE AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT AS IT RELATES TO OHIO

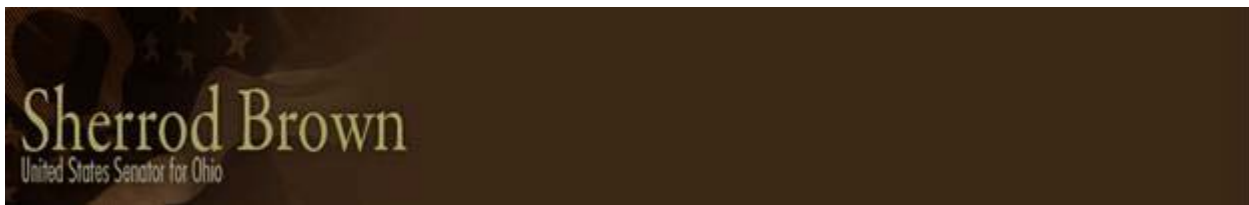
The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act contains approximately **\$8.2 billion** in federal funding for various programs, projects, and initiatives in Ohio. The following pages provide summary information of many of the funding provisions in the bill. Where possible, the summaries provide details on the amount of funding Ohio is expected to receive. Where numbers on Ohio's share is not available, the nationwide allocation is provided.

Preliminary Summary - Because some of the departments and agencies have not yet posted all applicable details regarding how funds will be distributed, the summaries include as much information as is currently available. As more information becomes available, this document will be updated and posted on Senator Brown's website at www.brown.senate.gov. The Obama Administration has also developed a website designed to help Americans track implementation of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act at www.recovery.gov.

How will these funds flow to Ohio? In the vast majority of cases, the Act requires federal funding to be allocated before September 30, 2010. The manner in which Federal departments and agencies will distribute federal dollars allocated through the recovery plan will vary from program to program.

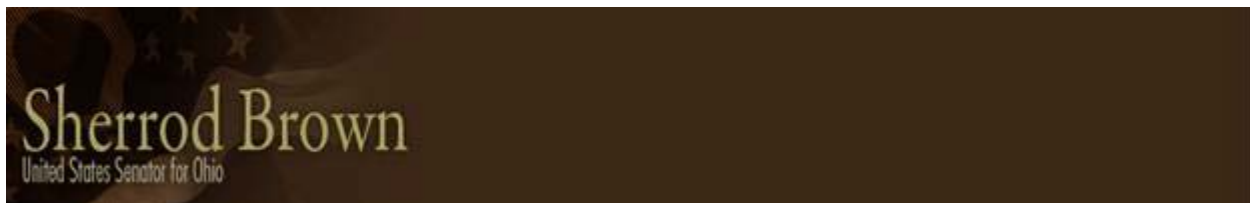
- **Formula Funding to States:** Some dollars will flow to Ohio state agencies via a statutorily established formula. Under these circumstances, the Ohio state agency that receives funding through the Act from the federal government will in turn allocate dollars to eligible local entities.
- **Direct funding to local governments:** Funding in this category will flow directly to eligible municipal governments or school districts.
- **Competitive Grants:** Other dollars will be distributed via a competitive grant process that will be administered by the federal department or agency that is charged under the Act with allocating the funding.
- **Discretionary Grants:** Some of the programs in the Act will be distributed at the discretion of the Secretary of the particular department or agency that receives the funding. The federal department or agency will need to promulgate regulations defining the criteria by which the funds will be distributed. These funds may ultimately be distributed through a competitive process, but that information has not yet been determined.

The following page provides a breakdown of how this funding will be allocated. This chart will be updated as more information becomes available.



Recovery Programs Listed by Type of Funding

FORMULA FUNDING TO STATES	COMPETITIVE GRANTS
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TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE FOR OHIO

In order to rebuild our weakening economy, long overdue investments in our physical and cyber infrastructure will put Ohioans immediately to work rebuilding our crumbling roads and bridges and will also enable the creation of a stronger and more efficient infrastructure for the 21st century economy. According to the Senate Committee on Appropriations, our economic recovery package includes the following estimated benefits for Ohio:

\$935.7 million in funding for highways and bridges in Ohio

Overview: The bill provides a total of **\$27.5 billion nationwide** for the Federal Highway Administration to invest in highway and bridge activities eligible under the Federal-aid Highway Program's Surface Transportation Program. Funding can also be used for rail and port infrastructure activities at the discretion of the states.

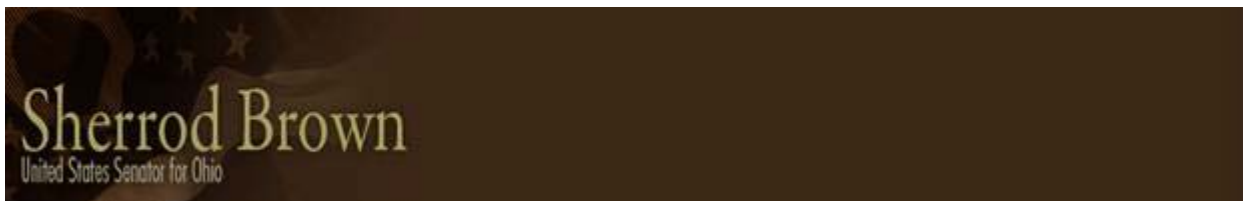
Funding Details: Funds are distributed to states by **formula**, with a portion of the funds within each State being sub-allocated by population areas. The Ohio Department of Transportation, working in coordination with the Metropolitan Planning Organization in urban areas and the Rural Planning Organization in rural areas, will play a central role in prioritizing and distributing these dollars in accordance with the requirements set forth in the Act.

The Act provides that 50 percent of the funds awarded to a State must be obligated within 120 days. Funds not obligated within this time frame are subject to recapture by the U.S. Department of Transportation. Funds not obligated by September 30, 2010 will lapse.

Ohio's apportionment of highway infrastructure funding is **\$935,677,030**. By formula, Ohio is required to spend \$161,489,155 in areas with populations over 200k, \$98,886,715 in areas with populations under 200k, and \$20,327,239 in areas with populations under 5k. Ohio will have \$626,903,610 available for use in any area. Ohio is required to spend \$28,070,311 on mandatory transportation enhancements.

The following is a breakdown of urban highway infrastructure funding:

Akron	\$14,098,401
Canton	\$6,591,485
Cincinnati	\$30,124,316
Cleveland	\$44,174,331
Columbus	\$28,017,870
Dayton	\$17,392,450
Toledo	\$11,755,512
Youngstown	\$9,334,790
Total urban	\$161,489,155



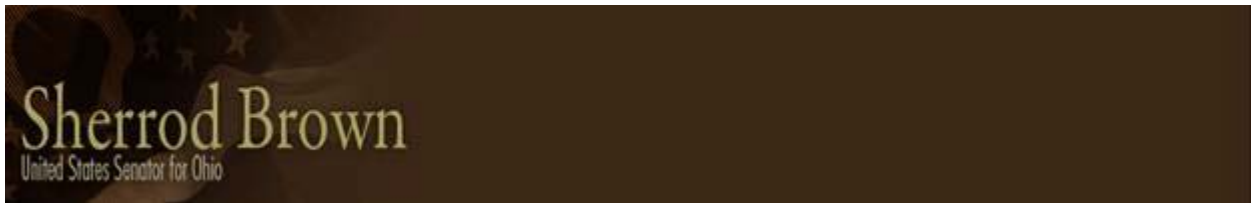
Contact information:

Federal Contact	Ohio Contact
Gloria Shepherd Associate Administrator for Planning, Environment and Realty gloria.shepherd@dot.gov	Ohio Department of Transportation Stimulus Question Line Ph: 614-752-2176

For more information: The Federal Highway Administration has established a website dedicated to providing information on the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. Visit <http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/economicrecovery/index.htm> for more details. The FHWA website also includes a wealth of helpful information, such as:

- **Urbanized Populations – Funding Distribution:** For information on estimated apportionment of funds for highway infrastructure investment including a breakdown of the estimated distribution of funds to areas within a state with an urbanized area greater than 200,000, you can visit <http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/economicrecovery/estapportionment.pdf>.
- **Questions and Answers on funding –** <http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/economicrecovery/qandas.htm>
- **Actions That Can Be Taken to Expedite Delivery of Funds –** <http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/economicrecovery/expedite.htm>

For Governor Strickland's official certification of funds:
http://testimony.ost.dot.gov/ARRAcerts/1201_Certification_031909_OH.pdf



\$180 million for mass transit projects in Ohio

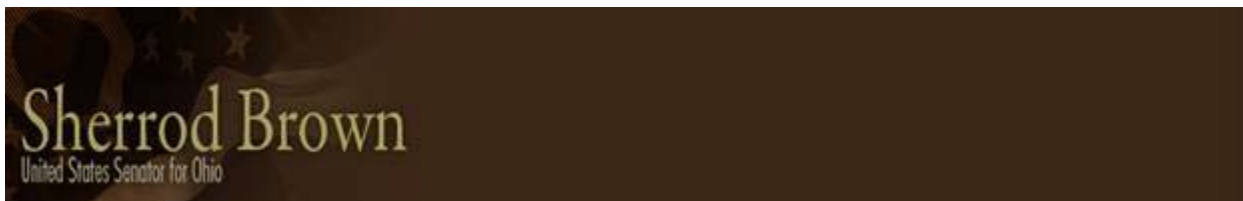
Overview: The bill provides over **\$6.9 billion nationwide** for the Federal Transit Administration for mass transit projects. Of this total, Ohio will receive almost **\$180 million**, including **\$137,198,395** for transit capital and operating assistance in urbanized areas and **\$29,837,234** for public transportation in areas of less than 50,000 in population.

Funding Details: Funds will be distributed through pre-existing, statutorily-defined **formulas**. For information on eligibility, you should visit http://www.fta.dot.gov/index_Allocation.html or contact the FTA Regional Office using the contact information below.

Contact Information

Federal Contact	Ohio Contact
Ms. Marisol Simon Regional Administrator for Region 5 200 West Adams Street, Suite 320 Chicago, IL Ph: 312-353-2789 Fax: 312-886-0351	Marianne Freed Ohio Department of Transportation 1980 W. Broad Street Columbus, OH 43223 Ph: (614) 466-7084 Marianne.Freed@dot.state.oh.us

For more information: The FTA has established a website dedicated to providing guidance on the transit portion of the Recovery & Reinvestment Act at http://www.fta.dot.gov/index_9118.html.



\$1.1 billion nationwide for aviation projects

Overview: The Recovery and Reinvestment Act provides \$1.1 billion “to provide **discretionary airport grants** to repair and improve critical infrastructure at our nation’s airports.” The intent of this funding is to address safety and capacity needs. The bill does not set aside a specific allocation of funding for the States. Funding will remain available through September 30, 2010.

Funding Details: This funding will be allocated through a **discretionary grant** program. The Federal Aviation Administration will administer this grant program. The Act states that “the Secretary shall award grants totaling not less than 50 percent of the funds made available . . . within 120 days of enactment of this Act [June 17, 2009], and award grants for the remaining amounts not later than 1 year after enactment of this Act [February 16, 2010].” Priority is given to projects that can be completed within two years of enactment (February 16, 2011). The federal share of grant will be 100 percent, therefore waiving the requirement of a non-federal match.

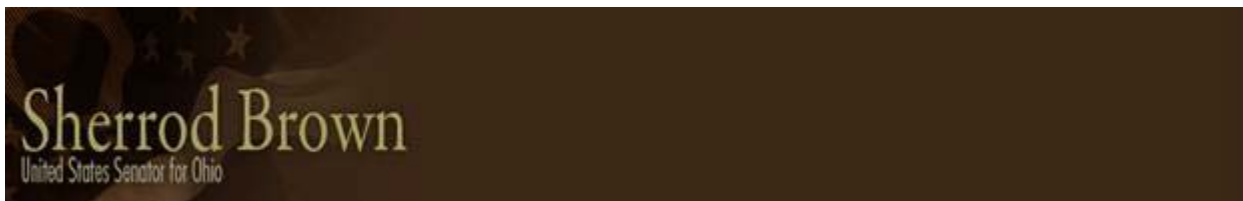
Contact Information

Federal Contact	Ohio Contact
Office of Government and Industry Affairs Federal Aviation Administration AGI 1 800 Independence Avenue, S.W. Washington, DC 20591 Ph: (202) 267-3277 / Fax: (202) 267-8210	Ohio Department of Transportation Office of Aviation 2829 W. Dublin-Granville Road Columbus, Ohio 43235 (614) 793-8972

For more information visit: <http://www.faa.gov/recovery/>.

For detailed requirements on Grants-in-Aid for Airports, including funding, timelines, and distribution visit:

http://www.faa.gov/airports_airtraffic/airports/aip/media/FY09_aip_arra_guidance.pdf



\$8 billion nationwide for high speed rail corridors and intercity passenger rail service

Overview: The Recovery and Reinvestment Act provides **\$8 billion nationwide** for capital assistance for high speed and intercity passenger rail service.

Funding Details: This funding will be allocated through a competitive **discretionary grant** process over which the Secretary of Transportation will have considerable flexibility. The new law provides the following specific guidelines regarding the application process. Key benchmarks are as follows:

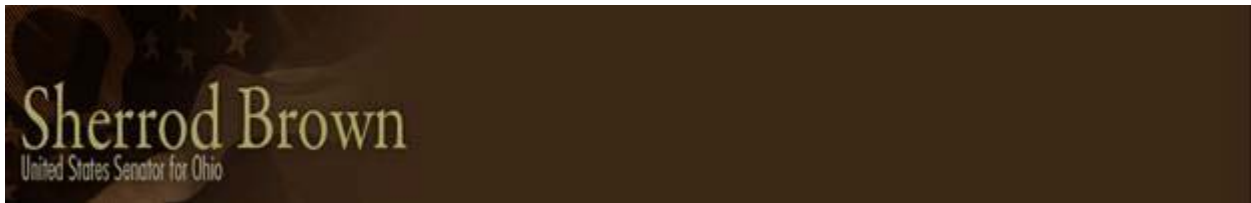
- Within 60 days of the enactment of this Act (April 18, 2009), the Secretary “shall submit to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations a strategic plan that describes how the Secretary will use the funding provided under this heading to improve and deploy high speed passenger rail systems”
- Within 120 days of enactment of this Act (June 17, 2009), the Secretary “shall issue interim guidance to applicants covering grant terms, conditions, and procedures until final regulations are issued: That such interim guidance shall provide separate instructions for the high speed rail corridor program, capital assistance for intercity passenger rail service grants, and congestion grants.”

Contact Information

Federal Contact
Office of Policy and Communication Federal Railroad Administration Phone: (202) 493-6024

For more information: The Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) has developed a website dedicated to providing information on the FRA’s role in administering Recovery and Reinvestment Act funding at <http://www.fra.dot.gov/us/content/2153>.

For details on eligibility, schedules, and definitions:
<http://www.fra.dot.gov/Downloads/ARRA%20FAQs%20FINAL.pdf>



\$1.5 billion for a new nationwide competitive grant program in transportation investments

Overview: The Act creates a new supplemental discretionary grant program. **State and local governments will be eligible to compete for these grants.**

Funding Details: This is a new national competitive grant program. The U.S. Secretary of Transportation will administer this program. The Act specifies that funds will remain available through September 30, 2011.

The following language is taken directly from page 89-90 of the Act:

“... the Secretary of Transportation shall distribute funds provided under this heading as discretionary grants to be awarded to State and local governments or transit agencies on a competitive basis for projects that will have a significant impact on the Nation, a metropolitan area, or a region.”

The Act further states that projects eligible for funding provided under this program shall include, but will not be limited to:

- highway or bridge projects eligible under title 23, United States Code, including interstate rehabilitation, improvements to the rural collector road system, the reconstruction of overpasses and interchanges, bridge replacements, seismic retrofit projects for bridges, and road realignments;
- public transportation projects eligible under chapter 53 of title 49, United States Code, including investments in projects participating in the New Starts or Small Starts programs that will expedite the completion of those projects and their entry into revenue service; passenger and freight rail transportation projects;
- and port infrastructure investments, including projects that connect ports to other modes of transportation and improve the efficiency of freight movement.

Additionally, the Act requires:

- The Secretary to take such measures so as to ensure an equitable geographic distribution of funds and an appropriate balance in addressing the needs of urban and rural communities
- That not more than 20 percent of the funds made available under this paragraph may be awarded to projects in a single State
- That the Federal share of the costs may be up to 100 percent

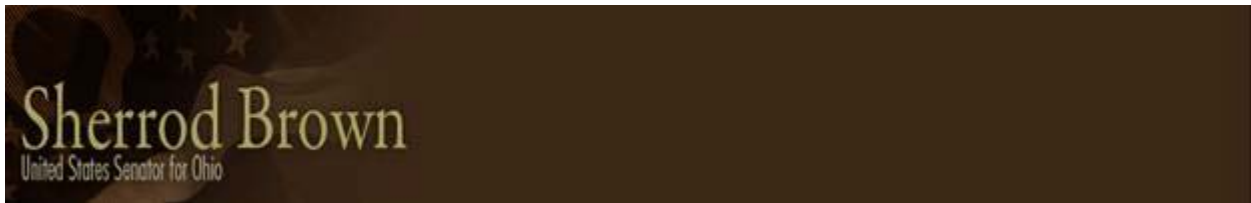


Finally, with regard to the timing of the application process, the Act requires:

- That the Secretary shall publish criteria on which to base the competition for any grants awarded under this heading not later than 90 days after enactment of this Act; and
- That the Secretary shall require applications for funding provided under this heading to be submitted not later than 180 days after the publication of such criteria, and
- That the Secretary shall announce all projects selected to be funded from such funds not later than 1 year after enactment of this Act

THIS SECTION WILL BE UPDATED AS MORE INFORMATION BECOMES AVAILABLE

The U.S. Department of Transportation has developed a website dedicated to providing information on the FRA's role in administering Recovery and Reinvestment Act funding at: <http://www.dot.gov/recovery/>



\$4.6 billion nationwide for funding for the Army Corps of Engineers.

Overview: While these dollars will be administered on the federal level, as opposed to the state level, the four Corps districts with jurisdiction over Ohio have numerous projects that are “ready to go” and will likely receive an injection of new funding.

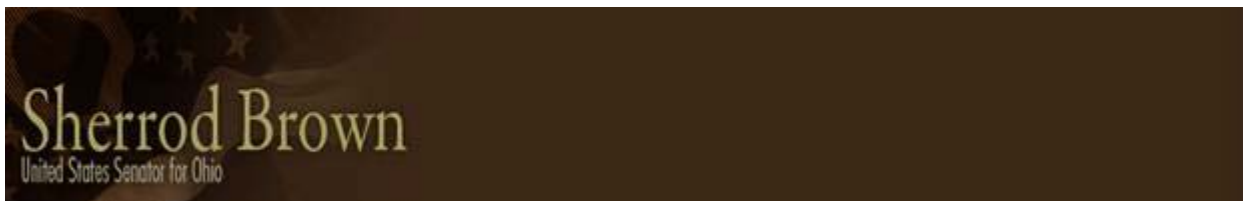
Funding Details: The Army Corps will administer and allocate all Corps funding. The Corps is in the process of finalizing its plan for funding distribution. If you have not already done so, you should contact the Corps District that serves your community.

The Recovery Act provides that that the Secretary shall submit a report on planned spending and actual obligations describing the use of these funds not later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this Act, and quarterly thereafter until all funds are obligated. This requirement is designed to ensure that the Corps obligates this funding in a timely manner.

Contact information:

Buffalo District	Pittsburgh District	Huntington District	Louisville District
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Buffalo District 1776 Niagara Street Buffalo, NY 14207 (716) 879-4104	Col. Michael Crall 2200 Moorhead Federal Building U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Pittsburgh District Pittsburgh, PA 15222 (412) 395-7103	Coy Miller Corps of Engineers, Huntington District 502 Eighth Street Huntington, WV 25701	Linda R. Murphy Chief, Civil Project Management Branch Corps of Engineers, Louisville District 502-315-6784

For more information, visit: <http://www.usace.army.mil/RECOVERY/Pages/default.aspx>



\$276.5 million for clean water and drinking water projects in Ohio

Overview: The Act provides **\$6 billion** for clean water and drinking water projects **nationwide** through the Clean Water State Revolving Fund and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund. Of this total, **Ohio will receive an estimated \$282.9 million** including **\$55.5 million** through the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund to address the backlog of drinking water infrastructure needs and **\$221 million** through the Clean Water State Revolving Fund to address the backlog of clean water infrastructure needs.

Funding Details: Federal funding will flow via a codified **formula** that determines the amount of block grant awards Ohio receives for Clean Water and Drinking Water projects:

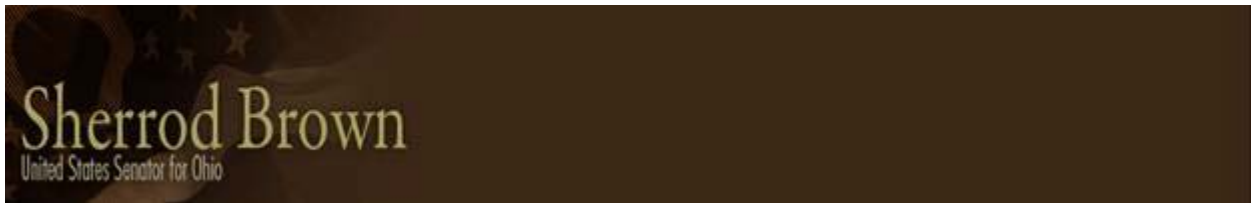
- 1) Projects not under construction or contract within 12 months will have their funding reprogrammed. The law directs priority funding to projects on the State Priority List that are construction-ready within 12 months.
- 2) 20% set-aside required for each state's Revolving Fund for green infrastructure, water and/or energy efficiency, innovative water quality improvements, decentralized wastewater treatment, stormwater runoff mitigation, and water conservation (there is a waiver if there are not sufficient applications).
- 3) The use of funds to purchase land or easements is prohibited.
- 4) The 20% state match for federal capitalization grants is waived, but the new Act requires at least 50% of capitalization grants received be used to provide additional subsidization in form of principal forgiveness, negative interest loans, grants, or combination of the aforementioned.

Federal Contact	Ohio Contact
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency – EPA Water Protection Division Region 5, Chicago (312) 886-9296	Ohio Environmental Protection Agency Drinking Water SRF: Stacy Barna, (614) 644-2752 Clean Water SRF: Becky Hegyi, (614) 644-3636

For more information: EPA has established a website dedicated to providing information about the recovery plan at <http://www.epa.gov/recovery/>.

To visit the **home page of the Clean Water State Revolving Fund**, click here:
<http://www.epa.gov/owm/cwfinance/cwsrf/index.htm>

To visit the **home page of the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund**, click here:
<http://www.epa.gov/safewater/dwsrf/index.html>



\$7.2 billion nationwide for Broadband technologies

Overview: The Act provides **\$7.2 billion nationwide** for grants to provide access to broadband services to consumers in unserved and underserved areas of the country, expand broadband education opportunities, and improve access to broadband services for public safety agencies.

Of the \$7.2 billion, the U.S. Department of Commerce will administer \$4.7 billion for the National Telecommunications and Information Administration's (NTIA) Broadband Technology Opportunities Program. The U.S. Department of Agriculture, through the Rural Utilities Service (RUS), will administer the remaining \$2.5 billion.

Funding Details: "On March 10th, the Department of Commerce and the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Rural Utility Services (RUS) released a Joint Request for Information and Notice of Public Meetings (RFI), which invites comments from interested parties on the Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP) and the RUS grants and loans program established in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

"To encourage public participation, the RFI set a schedule of public meetings from March 16-24. That will give Americans an opportunity to discuss how NTIA and the Rural Utility Service should design and implement these programs. Each of these meetings will feature a roundtable discussion and an opportunity for public comment.

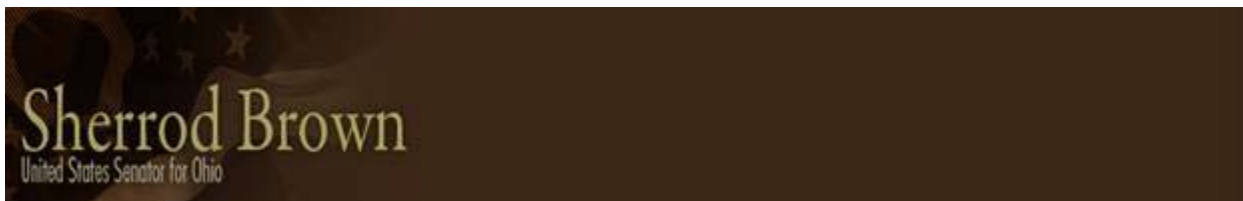
"Comments will be received up to 30 days after publication of the RFI in the Federal Register. Comments may be submitted via the Web, email or mail. Commenters are strongly encouraged to file via the website, www.ntia.doc.gov/broadbandgrants."

You can read more about the purpose of these meetings by visiting:
http://www.ntia.doc.gov/frnotices/2009/broadbandmeetings_090224.pdf

For more information: The Department of Commerce has established a website dedicated to providing information regarding the implementation of the Recovery Act at <http://www.commerce.gov/Recovery/index.htm>.

U.S. Department of Agriculture – The Act directs the Department of Agriculture Rural Development Office, through the Rural Utilities Service, to provide grants, loans, and loan guarantees to encourage broadband deployment. The new law requires that "at least 75 percent of the area to be served by a project receiving funds from such grants, loans, or loan guarantees shall be in a rural area without sufficient access to high speed broadband service to facilitate rural economic development.

For more information: Contact the USDA Rural Development Office servicing your community by visiting: <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/oh/OFFICE%20MAP.pdf>



ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT IN OHIO

This recovery package provides new resources to help local governments revitalize their communities. The vast majority of these funds will flow directly to eligible local governments according to a pre-existing formula. The new law provides the following recovery funding.

\$150 million nationwide for the Economic Development Administration

Overview: This EDA funding is intended to maximize job creation and economic benefit. \$50 million must be allocated for economic adjustment assistance, and the remaining \$1 million can be spent under either the Economic Adjustment Assistance Program or the Public Works and Economic Development Facilities Program. According to EDA, “EDA is soliciting applications from eligible applicants in all U.S. States to fund projects that will advance economic growth in communities and regions experiencing chronic high unemployment and low per capita income.”

Funding details: The funds will be distributed through **competitive grants**.

The application deadline is June 30, 2010. You can access the solicitation and eligibility information here:

<http://www.eda.gov/PDF/FY09ARRAFFOFINAL031309.pdf>

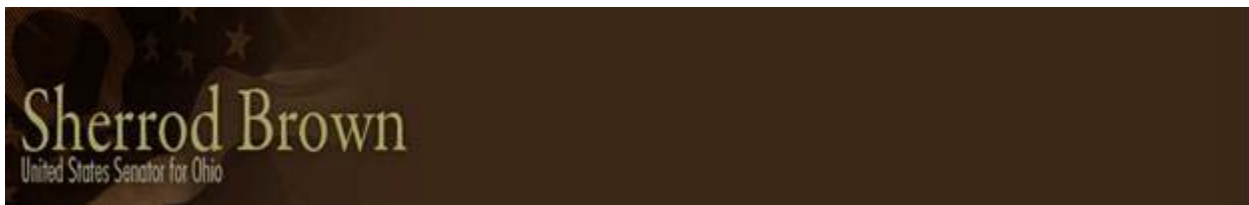
To access all of EDA’s current funding opportunities, visit

<http://www.eda.gov/InvestmentsGrants/FFON.xml>

This EDA announcement gives “preference to activities that can be started and completed expeditiously, including a goal of using at least 50 percent of the funds for activities that can be initiated not later than 120 days after the date of the enactment of the Act, which was February 17, 2009.” (Source: <http://www.eda.gov/PDF/FY09ARRAFFOFINAL031309.pdf>)

Contact information:

Federal Regional Contact	Ohio Contact
Regional Office U.S. Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration 111 North Canal Street, Suite 855 Chicago, IL 60606-7208 312-353-7706	Mr. Robert Hickey U.S. Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration Federal Building, Room 740 200 North High Street Columbus, Ohio 43215 T: (614) 469-7314 E: rhickey@eda.doc.gov



\$3.95 billion nationwide for Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Programs

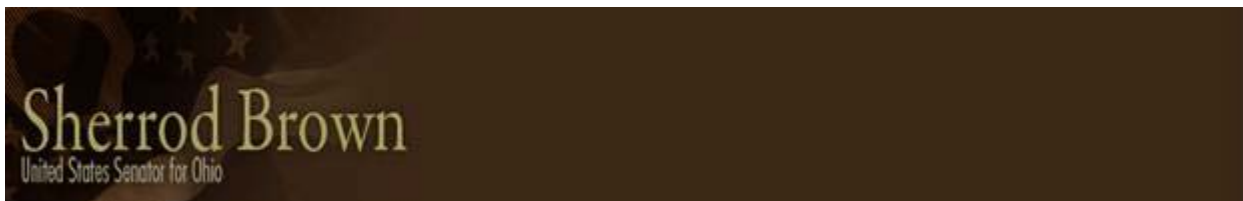
- **Worker Training and Placement in High Growth and Emerging Industry Sectors**
Part of this funding is to be used for research, labor exchange, and job training projects that prepare workers for careers in energy efficiency and renewable industry industries. In awarding remaining funds, priority shall be given to projects that prepare workers for careers in the health care sector. This is a **competitive grants program**.

The Employment and Training Administration (ETA) at the Department of Labor will be administering a Green Jobs initiative to “support on-the-ground apprenticeship and job training programs to meet growing demand for green construction professionals skilled in energy efficiency and renewable energy installations.” For more information:

<http://www.doleta.gov/>

- **Adult Employment and Training Activities**
This program provides quality employment and training services to assist eligible individuals in finding and qualifying for meaningful employment and helps employers find the skilled workers they need to compete and succeed in business. For more information, visit: http://www.doleta.gov/programs/general_info.cfm
- **Dislocated Worker Employment and Training Activities**
This program assists workers who have been laid off or have been notified that they will be terminated or laid off. Visit: http://www.doleta.gov/programs/general_info.cfm
- **National Emergency Grants for Worker Dislocation**
An additional \$200 million is provided nationwide for National Emergency Grants to respond to plant closings, mass layoffs and other worker dislocations. For more information: <http://www.doleta.gov/NEG/definition.cfm>
- **Youth Activities, including summer jobs for youth**
This program prepares youth for the 21st century workforce. The Employment and Training Administration, Office of Workforce Investment, Division of Youth Services coordinates youth workforce development investments. For more information, visit: http://www.doleta.gov/youth_services/
- **YouthBuild Activities**
This program provides job training and educational opportunities for at-risk youth ages 16-24 to construct or rehabilitate affordable housing for low-income or homeless families. Youth split their time between the construction site and the classroom, where they earn their GED or high school diploma, learn to be community leaders, and prepare for college and other postsecondary training opportunities. For more information: http://www.doleta.gov/youth_services/

DOL has also established a website dedicated to providing information about the Recovery and Reinvestment Act at <http://dol.gov/recovery/> or <http://www.doleta.gov/recovery/>



\$1 billion nationwide for the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)

Overview: The Recovery Act includes new funding for the Community Development Block Grant Program. Recovery Act funds will be used for community and economic development projects including housing and services for those hit hard by tough economic times. According to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program is a flexible program that provides communities with resources to address a wide range of unique community development needs. Beginning in 1974, the CDBG program is one of the longest continuously run programs at HUD.

Funding Details: The CDBG program provides annual grants on a **formula basis** to 1,180 general units of local government and States, including over **\$40 million** for Ohio.

Smaller communities that do not receive a direct allocation of funding from the Department of Housing and Urban Development should contact the Ohio Department of Community and Economic Development for information on how the Ohio of Ohio intends to utilize the allocation of CDBG funds that will be provided directly to the Ohio State Government.

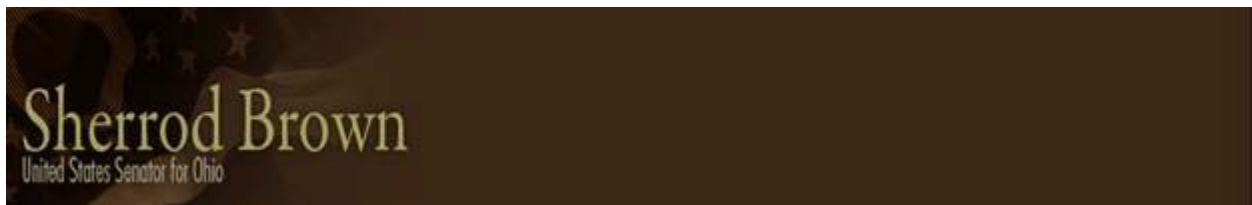
Contact information:

Federal Contact	Ohio Contact
Beverly Bishop Deputy Regional Director Office of the Regional Director U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Ralph Metcalfe Federal Building 77 West Jackson Boulevard Chicago, Illinois 60604-3507 312-353-5680	Mr. Michael Hiler, Office Chief State of Ohio Office of Housing and Community Partnerships P.O. Box 1001 Columbus, OH 43216-1001 Phone: (614) 644-7918 Fax: (614) 752-4575

HUD recently posted the following information regarding CDBG allocations to eligible local governments in the recovery package. Source: <http://www.hud.gov/recovery/cdbg.xls>.

OH NONENTITLEMENT	\$12,957,517
AKRON	\$1,824,341
ALLIANCE	\$184,685
BARBERTON	\$200,292
BOWLING GREEN	\$81,521
BUTLER COUNTY	\$311,163

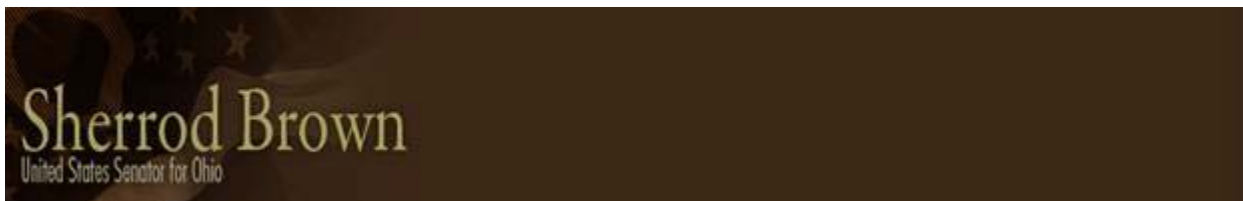
CANTON	\$773,783
CINCINNATI	\$3,490,694
CLEVELAND	\$6,409,225
CLEVELAND HEIGHTS	\$467,840
COLUMBUS	\$1,728,023
CUYAHOGA COUNTY	\$1,013,462



CUYAHOGA FALLS	\$189,270	MANSFIELD	\$260,779
DAYTON	\$1,697,064	MARIETTA	\$117,860
EAST CLEVELAND	\$299,972	MASSILLON	\$195,062
ELYRIA	\$179,686	MENTOR	\$47,861
EUCLID	\$281,140	MIDDLETOWN	\$181,809
FAIRBORN	\$70,461	MONTGOMERY COUNTY	\$496,661
FRANKLIN COUNTY	\$488,455	NEWARK	\$226,355
HAMILTON CITY	\$396,009	PARMA	\$264,096
HAMILTON COUNTY	\$911,939	SANDUSKY	\$218,407
KENT	\$81,024	SPRINGFIELD	\$533,358
KETTERING	\$146,839	STARK COUNTY	\$385,259
LAKE COUNTY	\$375,584	STEUBENVILLE	\$199,714
LAKEWOOD	\$589,901	SUMMIT COUNTY	\$275,269
LANCASTER	\$150,480	TOLEDO	\$2,141,045
LIMA	\$330,805	WARREN	\$353,798
LORAIN	\$328,220	YOUNGSTOWN	\$1,053,043

For more information visit: <http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/communitydevelopment/programs/>

HUD has also established a website dedicated to providing information about the Recovery and Reinvestment Act at: <http://www.hud.gov/recovery/>



\$100 million nationwide for Brownfields Remediation

Overview: EPA's Brownfields Program assists communities with the cleanup of abandoned, idled, or underutilized commercial and industrial properties. EPA estimates that there are more than 450,000 brownfields sites throughout the country. The bill provides \$100 million nationwide for the program.

Funding Details: The Brownfields Remediation program distributes funds via **competitive grants**; cost share requirements are waived.

Approximately \$5 million will be used to train workers to clean up brownfields sites:

“On March 19, 2009, EPA issued a request for applications (RFA) from eligible governmental entities and nonprofit organizations to provide environmental job training projects that will facilitate job creation in the assessment, remediation, or preparation of brownfields sites for sustainable reuse. **The closing date for receipt of applications is April 20, 2009.** Information about how to [apply for a Recovery Act job training grant \(PDF\)](#) (33 pgs, 165K, [about PDF](#)) and [more information about brownfields job training grants](#) is available online.”

“The total estimated funding available under this competitive opportunity is \$5,000,000. EPA anticipates award of 10-12 cooperative agreements, whose maximum value each shall not exceed \$500,000, resulting from this competitive opportunity.”

Source: http://www.epa.gov/brownfields/grant_guidelines/final_arra_jt_guidelines.pdf

Further brownfields funding opportunities under the Recovery Act are forthcoming. Check back for details as they are announced. Or, <http://www.epa.gov/brownfields/eparecovery/index.htm>.

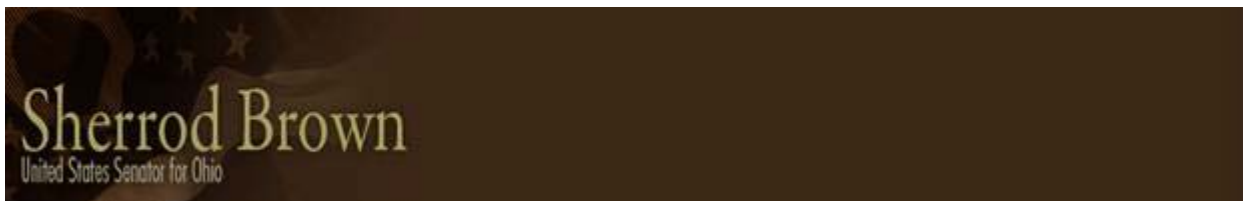
The State of Ohio is applying for competitive funding to distribute statewide. Please be sure your brownfields clean-up project is also on file with the state by filling out the form at <http://development.ohio.gov/recovery/recoveryform/> before March 30, 2009.

Contact Information:

Federal Contact	Alternate Federal Contact
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency – Region 5 312-353-2000 http://www.epa.gov/region5/Brownfields-Web-Comments@epamail.epa.gov	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Headquarters Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations 202-564-5200 http://www.epa.gov

For general information, visit the EPA's Brownfields page at <http://epa.gov/brownfields/>

EPA has also established a website dedicated to providing information about the Recovery and Reinvestment Act at <http://www.epa.gov/recovery/basic.html#overview>.



\$730 million nationwide for the Small Business Administration

Overview: With a boost of **\$730 million nationwide** from the recovery package, the Small Business Administration (SBA) will make it easier and less expensive for small businesses to get loans, provide lenders with new incentives to lend to small businesses, and help boost liquidity in the credit markets. The Recovery Plan also authorizes SBA to refinance certain small business loans.

Funding Details: The following is a breakdown of SBA recovery funding:

- \$375 million for temporary fee reductions or eliminations on SBA loans and increased SBA guaranteed shares, up to 90 percent for certain loans
- \$255 million for a new loan program to help small businesses meet existing debt payments
- \$30 million for expanding SBA's Microloan program, enough to finance up to \$50 million in new lending and \$24 million in technical assistance grants to microlenders
- \$20 million for technology systems to streamline SBA's lending and oversight processes
- \$15 million for expanding SBA's Surety Bond Guarantee program
- \$25 million for staffing up to meet demands for new programs
- \$10 million for the Office of Inspector General

For a more detailed summary from the SBA, visit:

http://sba.gov/idc/groups/public/documents/sba_homepage/news_release_09-10.pdf

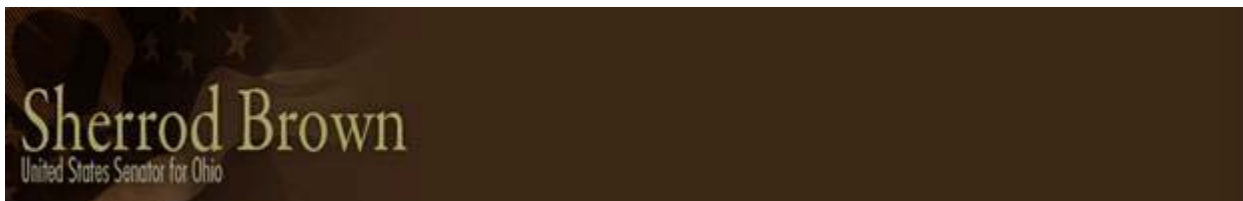
Senator Brown has summarized small business recovery information, including additional tax incentives. For **Senator Brown's small business recovery summary**, visit:

http://brown.senate.gov/issues_and_agenda/issues/recovery/downloads/Economic%20Recovery%20Package%20-%20Ohio%20Small%20Business.pdf

Contact Information:

Federal Contact	State Contacts
U.S. Small Business Administration Answer Desk 1-800-U-ASK-SBA (1-800-827-5722) Send e-mails to: answerdesk@sba.gov	Cleveland District SBA Office: (216) 522-4180 Columbus District SBA Office: (614) 469-6860 Cincinnati Branch SBA Office (513) 684-2814 http://www.sba.gov/localresources/district/oh/
**Note: It is best to contact your nearest SBA District or Branch office	

SBA has also established a website dedicated to providing information about the Recovery and Reinvestment Act at <http://sba.gov/recovery/>



FIRST RESPONDERS IN OHIO

Nearly every sector of the American job market has suffered job loss and programmatic cuts, including state and local law enforcement. Cuts in this field can have a devastating direct and indirect effect on the health of a community by way of increased crime, lowered property values, business closings and the loss of good paying, middle class jobs. According to the Senate Committee on Appropriations, the recovery plan includes \$84.4 million for law enforcement and crime prevention programs in Ohio. The bill also includes an estimated \$1 billion in new funding for the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Program for a national competitive program.

\$1 billion nationwide for the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Program

Overview: This program is a **competitive grant program** that provides funding directly to law enforcement agencies to create and preserve jobs and to increase community policing capacity and crime-prevention efforts. Funding is available for the hiring and rehiring of additional career law enforcement officers. There is no local match requirement for CHRP, but grant funding will be based on current entry-level salary and benefits packages and therefore any additional costs for higher salaries or benefits for particular individuals hired will be the responsibility of the grantee agency.” (Source: <http://www.cops.usdoj.gov/Default.asp?Item=2108>).

Funding Details: The Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Program is a **national competitive application process** administered by the U.S. Department of Justice.

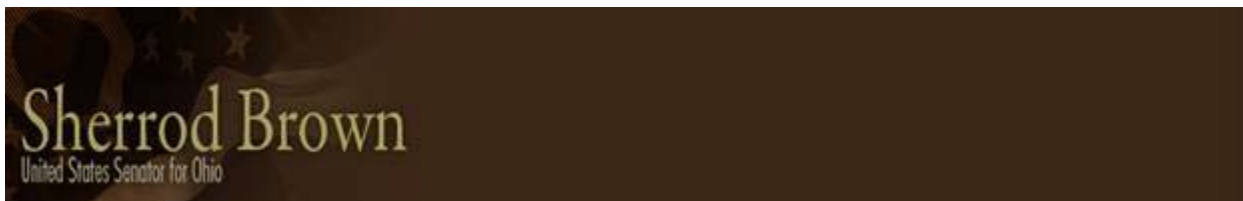
Applications for CHRP grants will be accepted online via the COPS Office web site at www.cops.usdoj.gov beginning March 16, 2009 through April 14, 2009.

To determine if your agency is **eligible** to apply for CHRP funding, visit:
<http://www.cops.usdoj.gov/chrp/eligibilityanony.aspx>

Contact Information

Federal Contact
Grant Program Specialist - Discretionary/Non-Targeted: Lynette Chambliss U.S. Department of Justice – COPS Office Phone: 202.353.9790 E-mail: ask.Cops@usdoj.gov

For more information visit <http://www.cops.usdoj.gov/Default.asp?Item=2108>. The COPS office has posted specific information about the Recovery Act at this site.



\$62.5 million in Ohio for The Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program for State and Local law enforcement

Overview: The Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program “allows states and local governments to support a broad range of activities to prevent and control crime and to improve the criminal justice system. JAG replaces the Byrne Formula and Local Law Enforcement Block Grant (LLEBG) programs with a single funding mechanism that simplifies the administration process for grantees. The procedure for allocating JAG funds is a formula based on population and crime statistics, in combination with a minimum allocation to ensure that each state and territory receives an appropriate share.” (Source: <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/grant/jag.html>).

The Recovery Act provides **\$2 million nationwide** for the Byrne JAG program, including **\$62.5 million to Ohio**.

Funding Details: This program has both a **formula element** and a **competitive element**:

Formula

Funding for the **formula** element of the program is distributed via a statutorily established formula based on population and crime statistics. In Ohio, these funds will be distributed via formula to the Ohio Commission on Crime and Delinquency, which will in turn allocate funds in accordance with the formula.

For eligibility visit:

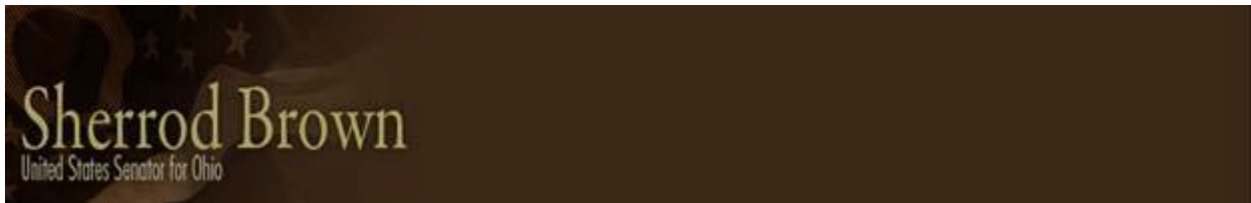
<http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recoveryJAG/recoveryallocations.html> and click on Ohio.

Eligible local governments must apply to receive formula funding. All applications are due by 8:00 p.m. Eastern Time. on May 18, 2009. For the detailed local solicitation for formula funding, visit:

<http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recoveryJAG/JAGrecoveryLocal.pdf>

Competitive Grants

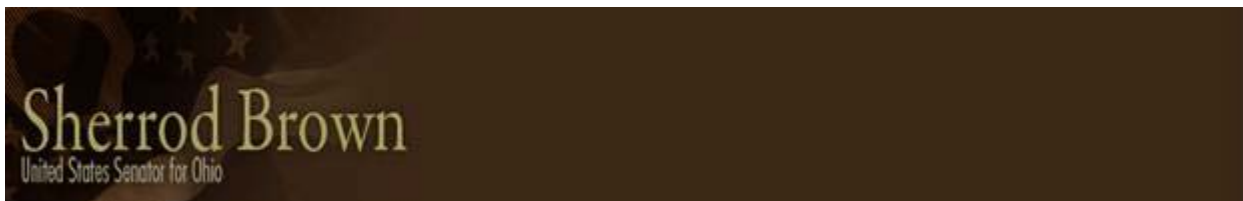
The Recovery Act also includes \$225 million for a **competitive grant program**. The Office of Justice Assistance is in the process of developing the criteria for the application process. They will soon have available a solicitation, frequently asked questions, and fact sheet. When available, this information will be posted at <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recoveryact.html>.



Contact Information

Federal Contact	Ohio Contact
Eileen M. Garry, Deputy Director Bureau of Justice Assistance 810 Seventh Street NW. Washington, DC 20531 202-307-6226 Fax: 202-514-5956 E-mail: Eileen.Garry@usdoj.gov	Walter Brown Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services 1970 West Broad Street P.O. Box 182632 Columbus, OH 43218 614-728-5466 Fax: 614-466-0308 Email: wbrown@dps.state.gov
*NOTE: For this program, first contact the Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services	

For more information visit <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recoveryact.html>. The Bureau of Justice Assistance office has posted specific information about the Recovery Act at this site.



\$968,810 for the Internet Crimes Against Children Grants Program

Overview: The Internet Crimes Against Children Grants (ICAC) Program is designed to help law enforcement agencies enhance their investigative response to offenders who use the Internet, online communication systems, or other computer technology to sexually exploit children.

Funding details: This program has both a **formula element** and a **competitive element**:

Formula

The Recovery Act appropriated **\$50 million** to ICAC to be distributed by **formula**. Based on this formula, in Ohio, the Cuyahoga County Prosecutor's office is eligible to receive \$1,122,272.

Competitive Grant

Applicants are limited to only those State and local law enforcement and prosecutorial agencies currently receiving funds under the ICAC Task Force Program. **Click here for the competitive grant solicitation:**

<http://ojjdp.ncjrs.gov/grants/solicitations/FY2009/ARRAICACTaskForceProgram.pdf>

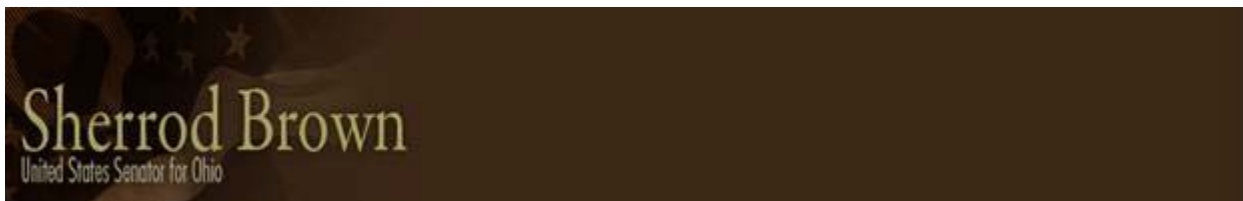
Applicants must register with the Office of Justice Grants Management System (GMS) prior to applying. **The GMS registration deadline is 8:00 p.m., Eastern Time, March 16, 2009.** To register visit: <https://grants.ojp.usdoj.gov>.

The due date for applying for competitive funding under this announcement is 8:00 p.m., Eastern Time, April 8, 2009.

Contact Information:

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For more information visit: <http://ojjdp.ncjrs.gov/recoveryact.html> and <http://www.ojjdp.ncjrs.gov/programs/ProgSummary.asp?pi=3>.



\$5.9 million for Violence Against Women Grants in Ohio

Overview: The Recovery Act includes funding for the STOP (Services-Training-Officers-Prosecutors) program and for the Transitional Housing Assistance Grant Program.

The STOP Program “encourages the development and strengthening of effective law enforcement and prosecution strategies to address violent crimes against women and the development and strengthening of victim services in cases involving violent crimes against women.” (Source: http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/stop_grant_desc.htm).

Funding Details: STOP Program funds flow via formula to states. Ohio is eligible to receive **\$4.6 million** in STOP funds. State applications are due by 8:00 p.m. EST on March 24, 2009. The State of Ohio will develop an implementation plan to distribute this funding. This plan is due within 120 days after receipt of the Recovery Act STOP award. For more information, visit: <http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/ovwgrantprograms.htm>. For the solicitation, visit: <http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/docs/recovery-stop-program.pdf>

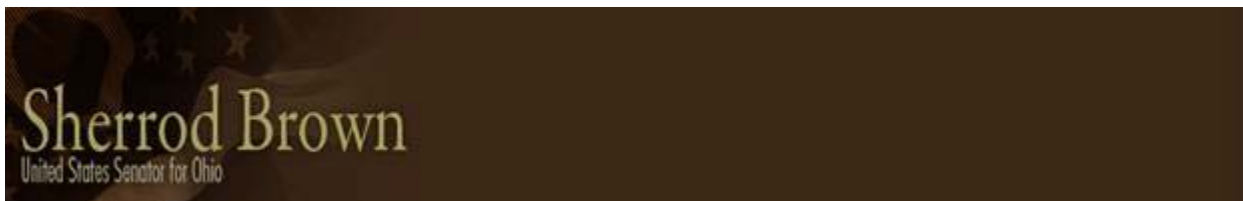
The Transitional Housing Assistance Program: “Grants made under this grant program support programs that provide assistance to victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking who are in need of transitional housing, short-term housing assistance, and related support services.” (Source: http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/thousing_grant_desc.htm).

Funding Details: Click here for the solicitation for Transitional Housing Assistance Grants: <http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/docs/recovery-transitional-housing-asst.pdf>
Eligible applicants include states, localities, and “other organizations, including domestic violence and sexual assault victim service providers, domestic violence and sexual assault coalitions, other nonprofit, nongovernmental organizations, faith-based and community organizations, and culturally specific organizations, that have a documented history of effective work concerning domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, or stalking.” **Letters of intent to apply should be submitted by March 24, 2009.**
All applicants should register online with GMS by March 24, 2009.
All applications are due by 8:00 p.m. EST on April 8, 2009.

The Office on Violence Against Women dedicated a portion of its website to the Recovery Act at <http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/recovery.htm> or <http://www.ovw.usdoj.gov/recovery-applicants.htm>.

Contact Information

Federal Contact	Ohio Contact
Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) 800 K Street, N.W., Suite 920 Washington, D.C. 20530 Ph: 202-307-6026 / Fax: 202-307-3911 TTY: 202-307-2277	Karhlton Moore Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services 1970 West Broad Street/P.O. Box 182632 Columbus, OH 45223 614-728-4792 (Fax: 614-466-0308) Email: kmoore@dps.state.oh.us



\$3.8 million for Crime Victims Compensation and Assistance in Ohio

Overview: The Office for Victims of Crime (OVC) is a federal agency within the Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice. Congress formally established OVC in 1988 through an amendment to the 1984 Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) to provide leadership and funding on behalf of crime victims (Source: <http://www.ojp.gov/ovc/>).

Funding Details: Nationwide, the Recovery Act “provides for \$100 million in funding for victim compensation and assistance. Of that \$100 million, \$47.5 million in formula funding will be directed to state agencies that administer VOCA-funded crime victim compensation programs, and an additional \$47.5 million in formula funding will be directed to state agencies that administer VOCA-funded crime victim assistance programs.” (Source: <http://www.ojp.gov/ovc/>). \$5 million dollars of the \$100 million will be directed to **discretionary grant projects**. See <http://www.ojp.gov/ovc/> for more information.

The State of Ohio is eligible to receive **\$2 million** in VOCA recovery funds.

All applicants are encouraged to register with the Grants Management Service (GMS) by March 13, 2009 and to apply well in advance of the March 20, 2009 deadline.

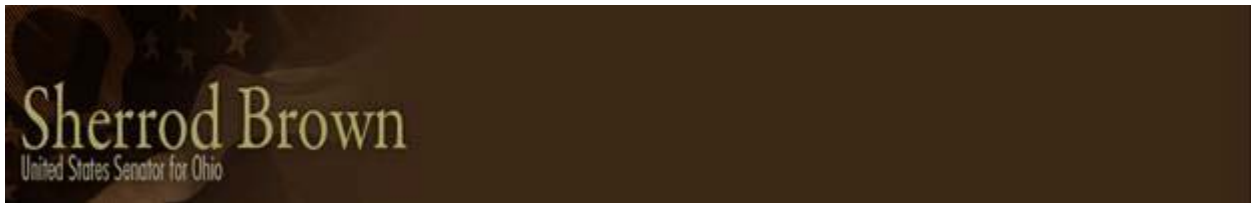
[Click here](#) for Victim Compensation Formula Grant Program solicitation.

Click here for [guidance on the application process](#) for eligible state VOCA crime victim compensation programs.

Contact Information

Federal Contact	Ohio Contact
Office for Victims of Crime U.S. Department of Justice 810 Seventh Street NW., Eighth Floor Washington, DC 20531 Ph: 202-307-5983 / Fax: 202-514-6383 Web site: www.ovc.gov	OVC Victim Assistance for Ohio 614-466-5610 Fax: 614-752-2732 http://www.ag.state.oh.us/victim/assistance.asp OVC Victim Compensation for Ohio 614-466-5610 Fax: 614-995-5412 http://www.ag.state.oh.us/victim/cv_online/src/CVOnlineStart.asp

For more information, visit: <http://www.ojp.gov/ovc/fund/Recoveryfunds.html>. The Office for Victims of Crime has posted specific information about the Recovery Act at this site.



\$210 million for a nationwide program to improve non-Federal fire stations

Overview: The Recovery Act provides \$210 million to modifying, upgrading, and constructing non-Federal fire stations. The maximum grant amount for any one project cannot exceed \$15 million per grant. The legislation does not require a non-federal match.

Funding Details: The Federal Emergency Management Agency will administer this program likely via a **competitive** application process. More details will follow.

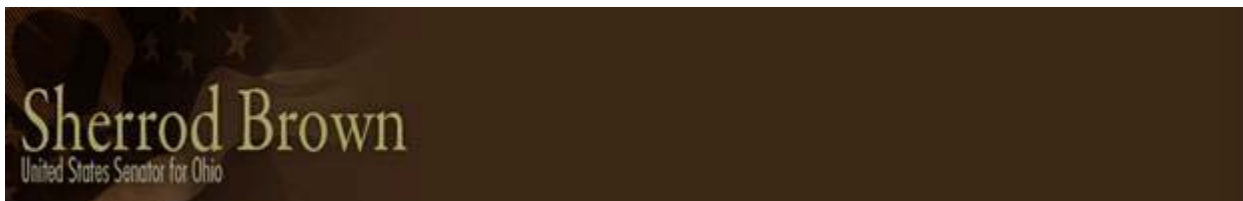
Contact Information

Federal Contact
DHS/FEMA/Grant Programs Directorate Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program Tech World Bldg - South Tower 5th Floor 500 C Street, SW Washington, DC 20472 Ph: 1-866-274-0960 Email: firegrants@dhs.gov

For more information, contact the Assistance to Firefighters Grant program **help desk** at 1-866-274-0960 or firegrants@dhs.gov.

For general program information, visit: <http://www.firegrantsupport.com/AFG/>

The Department of Homeland Security has established a website dedicated to providing guidance on the Recovery Act at: http://www.dhs.gov/xopnbiz/gc_1235067544334.shtm



ENERGY INVESTMENTS IN OHIO

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 would provide investments in areas critical to the development of clean, efficient, American energy, including modernizing energy transmission, research and development of renewable energy technologies, and modernizing and upgrading government buildings and vehicles.

\$97.9 million through the State Energy Program for Ohio

Overview: The State Energy Program provides grants to states and directs funding to state energy offices. States, in turn, use grants to address their energy priorities and program funding to adopt emerging renewable energy and energy efficiency technologies.

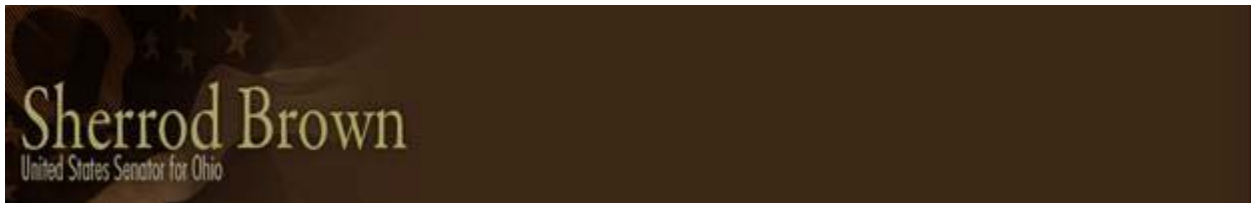
“The State Energy Program funding will be available for rebates to consumers for home energy audits or other energy saving improvements; development of renewable energy projects for clean electricity generation and alternative fuels; promotion of Energy Star products; efficiency upgrades for state and local government buildings; and other innovative state efforts to help save families money on their energy bills.” (Source: <http://www.energy.gov/7039.htm>)

Funding Details: **Formula** grant funding to states plus **grants** for special projects. The State of Ohio is eligible to receive **\$97.8 million** in formula funds. The State Energy Program in Ohio will be distributing this funding via competitive grants.

Contact Information:

Federal Contact	Ohio Contact
U.S. Department of Energy Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/state_energy_program/	<u>State Energy Office Director</u> Sara Ward Office Chief Phone: 614-466-8396 Email: sward@odod.state.oh.us <u>State Energy Program Manager</u> Sherry Hubbard Energy Office, Chief Phone: 614-466-6797 Email: shubbard@odod.state.oh.us

The Department of Energy has developed a website dedicated to providing information on the FRA's role in administering Recovery and Reinvestment Act funding at:
<http://www.energy.gov/recovery/>



\$273.3 million through the Weatherization Assistance Program in Ohio

Overview: This program provides funding to allow weatherization providers to install energy efficiency measures (heating and cooling systems, electrical systems, efficient appliances, insulation, etc.) in the homes of qualifying low-income homeowners. This enables families to permanently reduce their energy bills by making their homes more energy efficient.

Funding Details: The State of Ohio is eligible to receive **\$273.3 million** in formula funding. The State will then administer grants. The average expenditure limit is \$2,826 per home.

“The Weatherization Assistance Program will allow an average investment of up to \$6,500 per home in energy efficiency upgrades and will be available for families making up to 200% of the federal poverty level – or about \$44,000 a year for a family of four.” (Source: <http://www.energy.gov/7039.htm>)

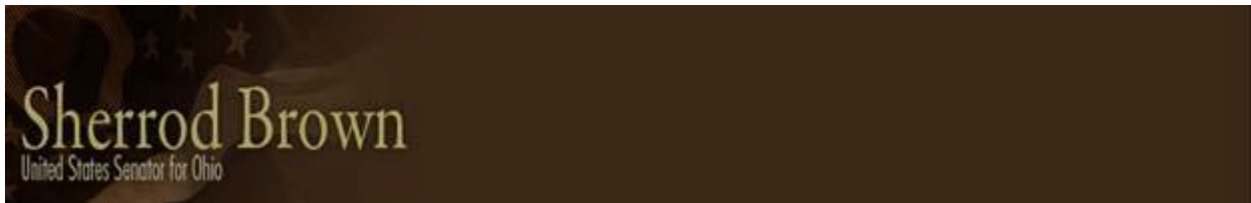
Contact Information:

Federal Contact	Ohio Contact
U.S. Department of Energy general program information: http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/weatherization/	Don Skaggs Ohio Office of Community Service 614-466-6289 Fax: 614-278-2823

For more information on how to apply for funding through the Ohio Department of Community and Economic Development Office of Community Services, call: 614-466-3379.

The Department of Energy has developed a website dedicated to providing information on the FRA’s role in administering Recovery and Reinvestment Act funding at:
<http://www.energy.gov/recovery/>

For links to all recovery funding opportunities announced by the Department of Energy, visit:
<http://www.energy.gov/recovery/funding.htm>



\$3.2 billion nationwide for Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grants

Overview: These grants are provided to states, cities, and counties to reduce total energy use, reduce fossil fuel emission, or improve energy efficiency in transportation, building and other sectors, spur economic growth, and create or retain jobs.

Funding Details: This program has both a **formula** component, set by the Secretary of Energy, and a **competitive grant** component.

Formula: \$2.8 billion is available as formula funding and includes funding for:

- Cities with a population of at least 35,000 or that are one of the 10 most populous cities in the state
- Counties with a population of at least 200,000 or that are one of the 10 most populous counties in the state
- All 50 states
- The U.S. Territories of Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, American Samoa, Guam, and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.
- The District of Columbia
- Indian tribes listed in section 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C.450b)

Competitive: The remaining \$400 million will be distributed as competitive grants. The award criteria and solicitations will be forthcoming from DOE.

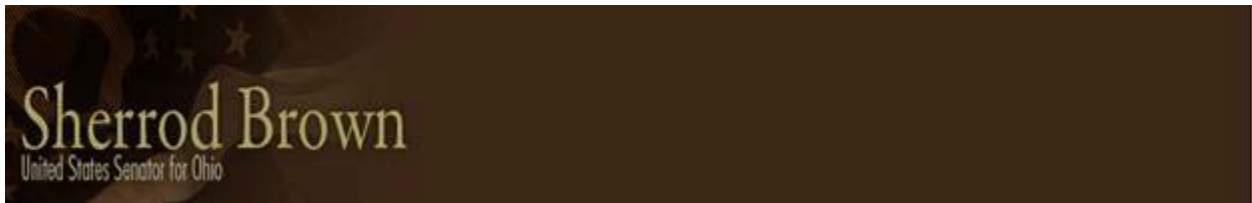
For detailed program information, visit: http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/wip/block_grants.cfm

Contact Information:

Federal Contact
U.S. Department of Energy EERE Information Center 1-877-337-3463 eereic@ee.doe.gov http://apps1.eere.energy.gov/wip/block_grants.cfm

The Department of Energy has developed a website dedicated to providing information on the FRA's role in administering Recovery and Reinvestment Act funding at:
<http://www.energy.gov/recovery/>

For links to all recovery funding opportunities announced by the Department of Energy, visit:
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\$2 billion nationwide for Advanced Battery Manufacturing

Overview: This will provide grants for manufacturing of advanced batteries and components.

Funding Details: This is a **competitive grant program**. More information will be forthcoming.

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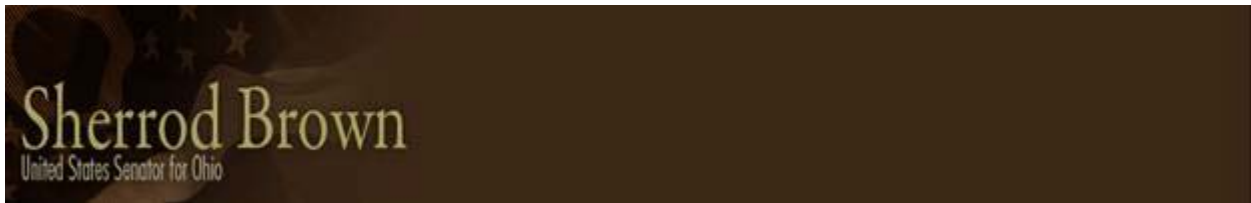
Federal Contact
U.S. Department of Energy Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Hydrogen, Fuel Cells, and Infrastructure Technologies Program General Program Information: http://www1.eere.energy.gov/hydrogenandfuelcells/

The Department of Energy has developed a website dedicated to providing information on the FRA's role in administering Recovery and Reinvestment Act funding at:

<http://www.energy.gov/recovery/>

For links to all recovery funding opportunities announced by the Department of Energy, visit:

<http://www.energy.gov/recovery/funding.htm>



\$300 million nationwide for Diesel Emission Reduction Grants

Overview: These grants help offset the cost of retrofitting heavy-duty vehicles with clean diesel technology: retrofitting includes refueling with cleaner fuel; rebuilding with engine upgrades; repowering with new engines; retrofitting with the addition of emissions control technologies; and replacing vehicles with new ones.

“The National Clean Diesel Campaign portion of the Recovery Act funding is divided into four programs.

- “The [Recovery Act Funding for the National Clean Diesel Funding Assistance Program](#) will receive approximately \$156 million. This funding will be awarded on a competitive basis to support diesel emission reduction programs.
- “The [Recovery Act Funding for the SmartWay Clean Diesel Finance Program](#) will receive approximately \$30 million. This funding will support the creation of national, state or local innovative clean diesel financing programs.
- “The [Recovery Act Funding for the National Clean Diesel Emerging Technology Program](#) will receive approximately \$20 million. This funding will support the use, development and commercialization of emerging technologies that reduce emissions from diesel engines.
- “The [Recovery Act Funding for the State Clean Diesel Grant Program](#) will receive approximately \$88 million. This funding will be available to support clean diesel grant and loan programs administered by states and the District of Columbia.”

(Source: <http://www.epa.gov/otaq/eparecovery/index.htm>)

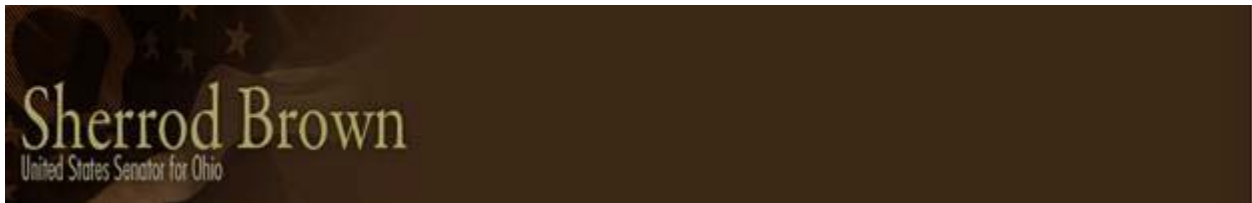
Funding Details: This funding will be provided through **competitive grants**; 50 percent of the funds will go to public fleets, including privately-owned fleets under contract to a public entity.

Visit <http://www.epa.gov/cleandiesel/> for grant applications. **Competitive announcements will be available on March 17th, and it is expected that the application period will last for 45 days.**

The following website provides guidance on putting together a competitive application for the program: <http://www.dieselforum.org/multimedia/webinars>.

Contact Information:

Federal Contact
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Clean Diesel Campaign e-mail: cleandiesel@epa.gov



\$60 billion nationwide for Federal Loan Guarantees through the Department of Energy

Overview: The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act provides **\$60 billion** worth of federal loan guarantees through the Department of Energy to support commercially viable advanced energy projects. The Department of Energy plans on offering these loan guarantees by early summer. These offers may require recipients to secure their own share of financing.

Funding details will be posted on Senator Brown's website (<http://brown.senate.gov>), on <http://grants.gov>, and on the Department of Energy's website (<http://www.energy.gov>) when available.

Contact Information:

Federal Contact
Loan Guarantee Program Office U.S. Department of Energy CF 1.3 1000 Independence Avenue, SW Washington D.C. 20585 Phone: 202-586-8336

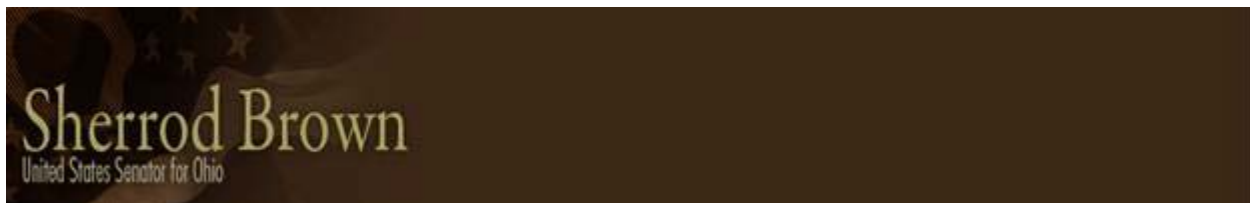
For more information on the program, visit: <http://www.lgprogram.energy.gov/>

The Department of Energy has developed a website dedicated to providing information on its role in administering Recovery and Reinvestment Act funding at:

<http://www.energy.gov/recovery/>

For links to all recovery funding opportunities announced by the Department of Energy, visit:

<http://www.energy.gov/recovery/funding.htm>



HOUSING IN OHIO

Helping local communities address the foreclosure crisis and make housing more affordable is key to stemming the economic downturn. While Congress needs to do more to stabilize the housing market, the recovery plan includes several important provisions designed to address this problem. These items include:

\$129 million for Public Housing Capital Fund in Ohio

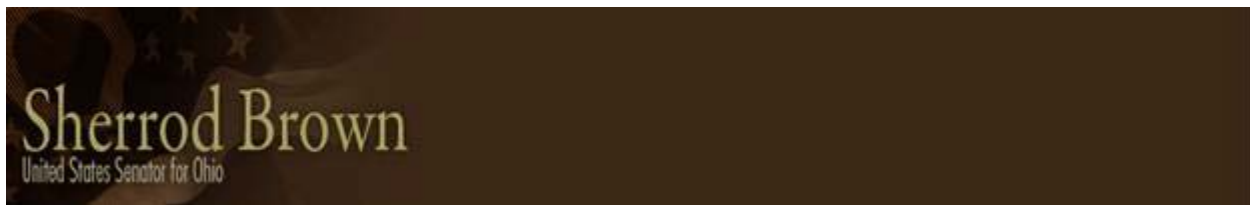
Overview: Grants to public housing agencies to carry out capital and management activities, particularly improving energy efficiency in aging structures and developing affordable housing infrastructure. The funding is expected to enable local public housing agencies to address a national \$32 billion backlog in capital needs – especially those improving energy efficiency in aging developments – in this critical element of the nation’s affordable housing infrastructure.

Funding Details: Nationwide, the Recovery Act provides \$4 billion for public housing. \$3 billion will be distributed under the existing **HUD formula**; the remaining \$1 billion will be in **competitive grants**. The State of Ohio is expected to receive at least \$129 million.

For more information on competitive funds, visit <http://www.hud.gov/recovery/phcapfundh.cfm> “HUD will issue a Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) seeking applications from eligible applicants. Awards shall be obligated through competitive funding by September 30, 2009.”

For more information on formula funds, visit <http://www.hud.gov/recovery/phcfund.cfm>
In Ohio, the following Housing Agencies are eligible for formula funding:

Columbus Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$9,084,131	Hocking Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$307,573
Youngstown Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$3,898,520	Cambridge Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$328,565
Cuyahoga Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$35,068,004	Perry County Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$235,108
Cincinnati Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$19,028,521	Wayne Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$375,129
Dayton Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$8,888,226	Coshocton Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$242,503
Lucas Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$6,437,159	Clermont Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$419,949
Akron Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$11,744,330	Jackson County Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$298,783
Trumbull Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$2,805,043	Athens Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$157,969
Zanesville Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$1,569,539	Geauga Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$431,976
Portsmouth Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$1,750,887	Licking Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$130,199
Lorain Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$3,412,897	Allen Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$501,390



Jefferson Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$1,688,159
Butler Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$2,507,963
Stark Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$5,285,639
Ironton Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$585,091
Belmont Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$1,383,627
Springfield Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$1,524,221
Greene Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$677,977
London Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$176,022
Chillicothe Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$735,798
Lake Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$368,537
Columbiana Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$931,335
Medina Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$117,903
Erie Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$475,260
Ashtabula Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$1,155,239
Portage Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$647,564

Adams Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$288,975
Gallia Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$266,000
Warren Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$421,580
Sandusky Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$90,965
Pickaway Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$251,339
Pike Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$200,865
Shelby Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$329,577
Miami Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$233,095
Morgan Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$112,029
Harrison Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$77,974
Noble Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$49,011
Fairfield Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$229,598
Logan County Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$235,594
Parma Public Housing Agency	\$114,779
Brown Metropolitan Housing Authority	\$47,832

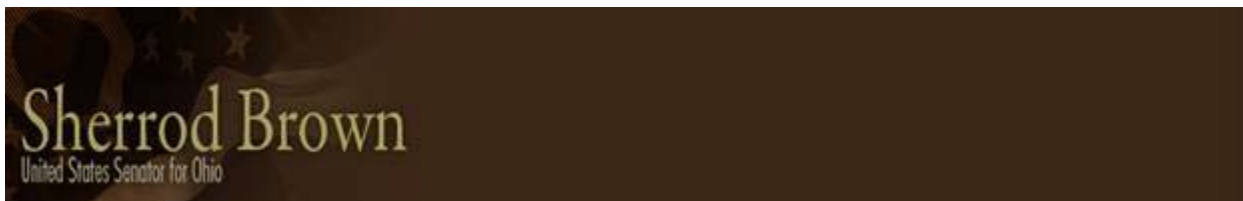
Each of the above listed housing authorities “will execute a Capital Fund Program Amendment to the Annual Contributions Contract (ACC), which must be signed by the local HUD Field Office. The authorities will provide the local HUD Field Office an Annual Statement specifying how the funds are to be used, and the Field Office spreading the individual budget line items (BLIs) in HUD Line of Credit Control System (LOCCS).” (Source: <http://www.hud.gov/recovery/phcfund.cfm>)

Contact information:

Federal Contact
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Office of Public and Indian Housing 800-955-2232 http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/index.cfm

For more information visit: <http://www.hud.gov/local/index.cfm?state=oh>

HUD developed a website dedicated to providing information on its role in administering recovery funding at: <http://www.hud.gov/recovery/>



\$1.98 billion nationwide for Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP)

Overview: This funding is “to address home foreclosure and abandonment and for the provision of capacity building and support for NSP grantees. Rating factors will include grantee capacity to execute projects, leveraging potential, and concentration of investment to achieve neighborhood stabilization. Grantees must expend at least 50 percent of each grant within 2 years and 100 percent within 3 years of grant award. HUD may run two competitions - one addressing the provision of technical assistance (not to exceed \$50 million) and one to provide programmatic funding for grantees (remainder of funding).” (Source: <http://www.hud.gov/recovery/nspg.cfm>).

Funding Details: This round of funding will be distributed via **competitive grants**.

“HUD must issue Notices of Funding Availability (NOFA) with application requirements no later than May 3, 2009. Applicants will prepare an application and, for programmatic funding, complete citizen participation before submitting to HUD. Applications will be due to HUD not later than 150 days after enactment. HUD will review applications and make awards shortly thereafter.

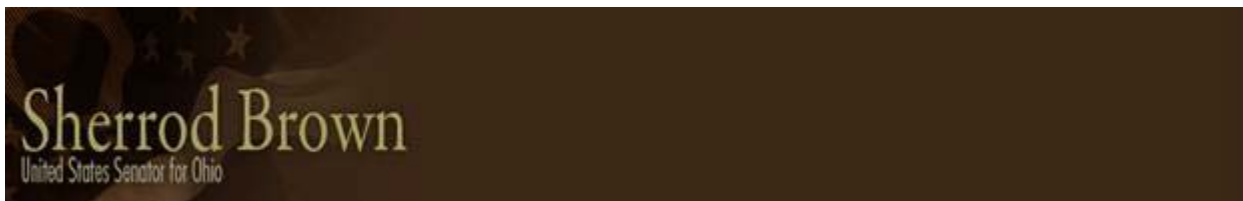
“Eligible applicants are states, units of general local government, nonprofit entities, and consortia of nonprofit entities, which may submit proposals in partnership with for profit entities.” (Source: <http://www.hud.gov/recovery/nspg.cfm>).

Contact information:

Federal Contact	State Contact
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Neighborhood Stabilization Program nsp-questions@hud.gov	http://www.hud.gov/local/index.cfm?state=oh&topic=offices Columbus Field Office Director Thomas Leach (614) 469-2540 Cincinnati Field Office Director James Cunningham (513) 684-3451 Cleveland Field Office Director Doug Shelby (216) 522-4058

For more information visit: <http://www.hud.gov/recovery/nspg.cfm> or <http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/communitydevelopment/programs/neighborhoodspg/>

HUD developed a website dedicated to providing information on its role in administering recovery funding at: <http://www.hud.gov/recovery/>



\$84 million for the HOME Investment Partnership Program in Ohio

Overview: This program enables state and local governments, in partnership with community-based organizations, to acquire, construct, and rehabilitate affordable housing and provide rental assistance to poor families

Funding Details: Funding will flow as a **block grant** to State and local governments.

With regard to eligibility, HUD's website states the following: "States are automatically eligible for HOME funds and receive either their formula allocation or \$3 million, whichever is greater. Local jurisdictions eligible for at least \$500,000 under the formula (\$335,000 in years when Congress appropriates less than \$1.5 billion for HOME) also can receive an allocation. Communities that do not qualify for an individual allocation under the formula can join with one or more neighboring localities in a legally binding consortium whose members' combined allocation would meet the threshold for direct funding. Other localities may participate in HOME by applying for program funds made available by their State. Congress sets aside a pool of funding, equivalent to the greater of \$750,000 or 0.2 percent of appropriated funds, which HUD distributes among insular areas."

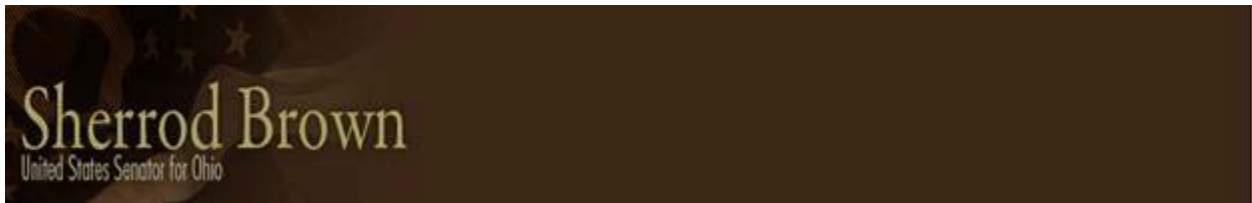
Contact Information

Federal Contact	Ohio Contact
Beverly Bishop Deputy Regional Director Office of the Regional Director U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Ralph Metcalfe Federal Building 77 West Jackson Boulevard Chicago, Illinois 60604-3507 312-353-5680	Sean Thomas Director of Planning, Preservation, and Development Ohio Housing Finance Agency 57 East Main Street Columbus, OH 43215 614-644-5772 Fax: 614-466-0606 Email: stthomas@ohiohome.org

For more information, visit

<http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/affordablehousing/programs/home/index.cfm>

HUD developed a website dedicated to providing information on its role in administering recovery funding at: <http://www.hud.gov/recovery/>



\$2.25 billion nationwide Assisted Housing Stability/Energy & Green Retrofit Investments

Overview: The bill provides more than **\$2.25 billion nationwide** – \$2 billion for payments to owners for 12-month periods and \$250 million for grants or loans for energy retrofit and green investments in assisted housing. Additional funding for Section 202 or Section 8 properties for payments to owners, and grants or loans for energy retrofit and green investments.

Funding Details: HUD will provide **grants** to eligible property owners.

“Full details of how to apply, and grant and loan terms, will be published in a Housing Notice within 60 days of the bill being signed into law (by April 17, 2009).” Check <http://www.hud.gov/recovery/aheretrofith.cfm> for more information.

Contact information:

Federal Contact
U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Office of Affordable Housing Preservation http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/affordablehousing/index.cfm

HUD developed a website dedicated to providing information on its role in administering recovery funding at: <http://www.hud.gov/recovery/>



\$100 million nationwide to the Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes

Overview: The bill provides \$100 million nationwide for grants for lead-based paint hazard reduction in targeted housing.

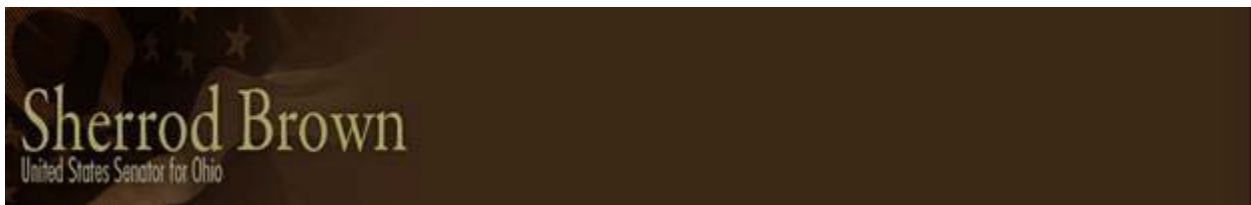
Funding Details: State and local governments can apply to HUD for **grants**. HUD will allocate funding with priority going to FY08 applicants who were found to be qualified but were not awarded because of funding limitations. **In Ohio, Mahoning County will receive \$875,000.**

Any remaining funding will be added to the amount awarded for FY09. HUD will publish an announcement of the new awards in the Federal Register and on its lead hazard control recovery website: <http://www.hud.gov/recovery/healthy-homes.cfm>

Contact information:

Federal Contact
U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control http://www.hud.gov/offices/lead/

HUD developed a website dedicated to providing information on its role in administering recovery funding at: <http://www.hud.gov/recovery/>



\$66 million for the **Homelessness Prevention Fund** in **Ohio**

Overview: The bill provides more than **\$1.5 billion nationwide** for the Homelessness Prevention Fund. Of this amount, Ohio is expected to receive **\$66 million**. Funding will be used for a wide range of prevention activities, including: short or medium-term rental assistance, first and last month's rental payment or utility payments.

Funding Details: Funding will be made available to state and local governments under the **formula** established by section 413 of subtitle B of title IV of the McKinney-Vento Act. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development is distributing this money throughout Ohio in the following way:

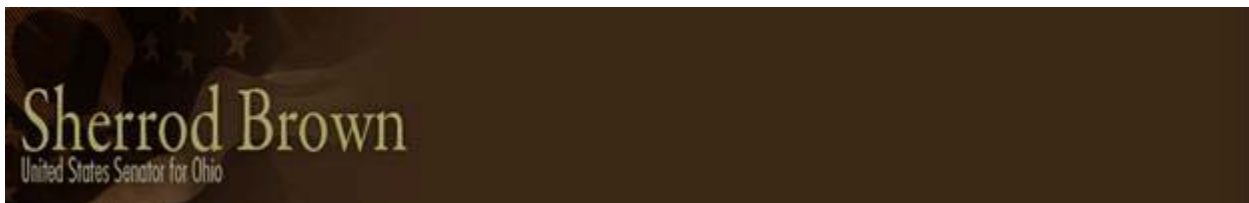
OH STATE PROGRAM	\$26,205,724
AKRON	\$2,790,522
CANTON	\$1,183,577
CINCINNATI	\$5,339,182
CLEVELAND	\$9,801,913
CLEVELAND HEIGHTS	\$715,677
COLUMBUS	\$2,642,649
CUYAHOGA COUNTY	\$1,552,324
DAYTON	\$2,595,505
FRANKLIN COUNTY	\$746,920
HAMILTON CITY	\$605,828
HAMILTON COUNTY	\$1,396,621
LAKE COUNTY	\$575,083
LAKEWOOD	\$902,439
LIMA	\$506,015
LORAIN	\$502,230
MONTGOMERY COUNTY	\$759,496
SPRINGFIELD	\$815,869
STARK COUNTY	\$589,412
TOLEDO	\$3,275,494
WARREN	\$541,184
YOUNGSTOWN	\$1,610,332

Contact information:

Federal Contact

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Office of Community Planning and Development
Homelessness Assistance Programs
<http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/homeless/programs/index.cfm>

For more information, visit HUD's homelessness prevention recovery site at
<http://www.hud.gov/recovery/homeless-prevention.cfm>



EDUCATION AND TRAINING IN OHIO

In order to compete in the 21st Century, we must have a well-educated workforce capable of adapting to an ever-changing economic environment. Investing in education now will ensure that the next generation of Ohio's workers is ready and able to meet the challenge of global competition. In the near-term, millions of workers have seen their jobs disappear and find themselves unable to match their skill sets with existing opportunities. Providing job training in new and expanding fields will help to lower the unemployment rate and help today's workers better compete against foreign competition. According to the Senate Committee on Appropriations, the economic recovery package includes the following estimated benefits for Ohio:

\$1.8 billion to Ohio through the State Fiscal Stabilization Fund

Overview: The Act provides a total of **\$53.6 billion nationwide** for a State Fiscal Stabilization Fund. The U.S. Department of Education will administer the program and will allocate funding directly to the States. The Ohio of Ohio is slated to receive \$1.8 billion through this Fund.

The Act specifies that the Governor shall use 81.8 percent of the State's allocation of stabilization funding for the support of elementary, secondary, and postsecondary education as well as early childhood education programs and services. The Act directs the Governor to use the remaining 18.2 percent for other high priority needs such as public safety and other critical services, which "may include assistance for elementary and secondary education and public institutions of higher education, and **for modernization, renovation, or repair of public school facilities and institutions of higher education facilities, including modernization, renovation, and repairs that are consistent with a recognized green building rating system.**"

Funding Details: These funds will flow directly to the Governor's office as a **block grant**.

For more information: The U.S. Department of Education has established a website dedicated to the Recovery Plan, which you can visit at:

<http://www.ed.gov/policy/gen/leg/recovery/index.html>

For a recovery fact sheet on the stabilization fund, visit:

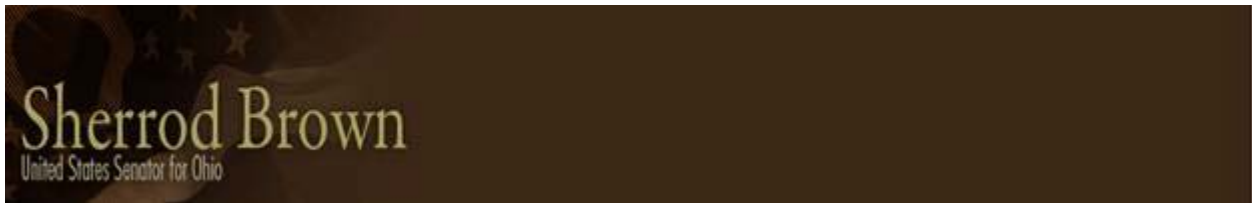
<http://www.ed.gov/policy/gen/leg/recovery/factsheet/stabilization-fund.html>

For general information on the stabilization fund, visit:

<http://www.ed.gov/programs/statestabilization/index.html>

For more about the school modernization element of the stabilization fund, visit:

<http://www.ed.gov/policy/gen/leg/recovery/modernization/index.html>



Funding To Local School Districts: The Recovery and Reinvestment Act includes significant funding for local education agencies. Details on key elements of the Act are as follows:

\$472.4 million for **Title I Education for the Disadvantaged in Ohio**

Overview: This funding will help close the achievement gap and enable disadvantaged students to reach their potentials.

Funding Details: These funds will be allocated directly to local education agencies. For a recovery fact sheet, visit: <http://www.ed.gov/policy/gen/leg/recovery/factsheet/title-i.html>

You can review the allocation of funds to local school districts in Ohio by visiting: <http://www.ed.gov/about/overview/budget/titlei/fy09recovery/Ohio.pdf>

For more information: The U.S. Department of Education has established a website dedicated to the Recovery Plan, which you can visit at: <http://www.ed.gov/policy/gen/leg/recovery/index.html>

\$437.7 million for **Special Education Part B State Grants in Ohio**

Overview: This allocation will provide supplemental funding under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act to educate school aged and preschool children with disabilities. This funding will raise the federal contribution for special education funding to nearly 40 percent, the level established when the law was authorized more than 30 years ago. This funding will reduce the budgetary pressures facing local school districts.

For a recovery fact sheet, visit: <http://www.ed.gov/policy/gen/leg/recovery/factsheet/idea.html>

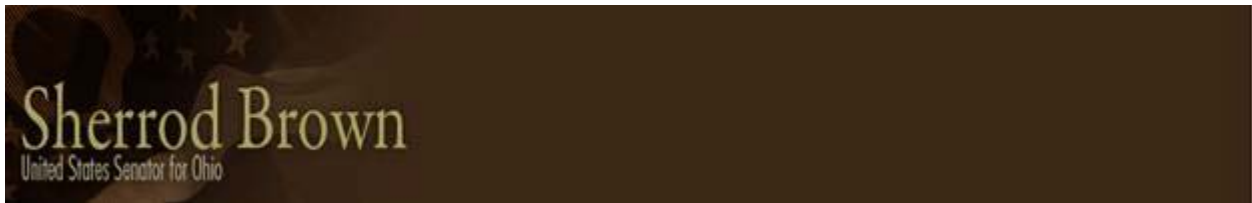
For more information: The U.S. Department of Education has established a website dedicated to the Recovery Plan, which you can visit at: <http://www.ed.gov/policy/gen/leg/recovery/index.html>

For general information visit: <http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/opers/index.html?src=oc>

\$23 million in **Education Technology Funds in Ohio**

Overview: Funding can be used to purchase up-to-date computers and software and provide professional development to ensure the technology is used effectively in the classroom.

Funding Details: Funds will flow via formula to State educational agencies (SEAs) and Local Education Agencies (LEAs). For more information, visit <http://www.ed.gov/programs/edtech/index.html>



Federal Funding for College Affordability Provisions in Ohio

The Act includes significant funding to help families offset the cost of a college education. The most notable provisions are as follows (these are nationwide numbers):

- \$17 billion to close the shortfall in the Pell Grant program and boost grant amounts by \$500 to \$5,350 in the first year and more in the second year, serving an estimated 7 million low and moderate-income young people and adults.
- \$200 million for the College Work Study.
- \$13.8 billion to boost the tuition tax credit from \$1,800 to \$2,500 for families earning up to \$180,000.

For more information: The U.S. Department of Education has established a website dedicated to the Recovery Plan, which you can visit at:

<http://www.ed.gov/policy/gen/leg/recovery/index.html>

Increased Funding for Pell Grants for Ohio's students

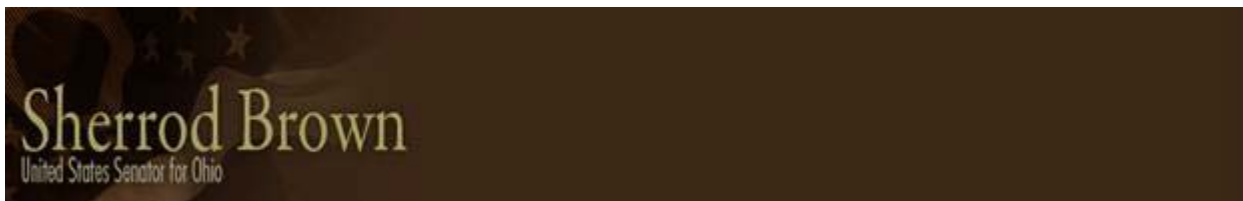
Overview: The Act provides significant funding for the Federal Pell Grant Program, which are grants for low-income undergraduate students to help offset costs associated with postsecondary education. For fiscal 2009-10, the maximum Pell Grant award per student will be \$5,350, with a discretionary maximum award amount of \$4,860. This funding will translate into **269,000** Pell Grant recipients in Ohio.

For more information, visit

<http://www.ed.gov/about/overview/budget/statetables/09arrastatetables.pdf>

If you have specific questions on the student financial aid process, please contact Senator Brown's Lorain Office at 1-888-896-OHIO.

The U.S. Department of Education has established a website dedicated to the Recovery Plan, which you can visit at: <http://www.ed.gov/policy/gen/leg/recovery/index.html>



\$153 million in federal funding for Job Training Programs in Ohio

- **\$15.3 million in State Employment Service Grants** to match unemployed individuals to job openings through state employment service agencies and allow Ohio to provide customized reemployment services.
- **\$68 million in Dislocated Workers State Grants**, particularly for grants that support immediate strategies for regions and communities to meet their needs for skilled workers, as well as longer-term plans to build targeted industry clusters with better training and a more productive workforce.
- **\$23.6 million for Department of Labor's Adult State Grants.**
- **\$56.7 million for Department of Labor's Youth State Grants.**
- **\$20.8 million for Vocational Rehabilitation** to help individuals with disabilities prepare for and sustain gainful employment.

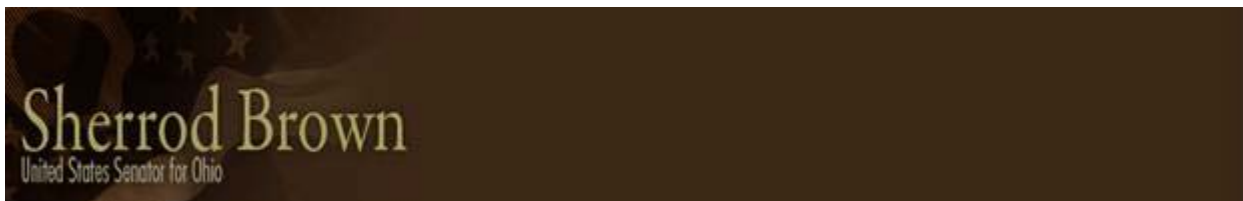
Funding Details: These funds will flow via **formula** to states. Local Workforce Investment Boards may award contracts to institutions of higher education or other eligible training providers if it determines that they would facilitate the training of multiple individuals in high demand occupations.

For more information on Ohio's Local Workforce Investment Boards, visit:
<http://jfs.ohio.gov/workforce/>

The Department of Labor has developed a website dedicated to providing information on its role in administering Recovery Act funding at: <http://www.dol.gov/recovery/>

You may also wish to visit <http://www.dol.gov/recovery/implement.htm>

If you have specific questions on utilizing federal job training funding, please contact Senator Brown's Lorain Office.



HELPING THOSE AFFECTED BY THE DOWNTURN IN OHIO

The current economic crisis has affected all Ohioans, but none more so than the most vulnerable among us. The spending proposed here will serve to lessen the blow of the current recession, providing immediate relief for children, the poor, and others who may find themselves struggling to put food on the table or a roof over their head. It will also address the urgent need to provide safe and secure places to live, even in neighborhoods that struggling with high unemployment and surging foreclosure rates. According to the Senate Committee on Appropriations, our economic recovery package includes the following estimated benefits for Ohio:

\$3.1 million for National School Lunch Program (NSLP) Equipment Assistance in Ohio

Overview: The Recovery Act provides funding to the existing National School Lunch Program (NSLP) through the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). It will be distributed via **formula funds to state agencies that will then offer competitive grant opportunities to schools** for the purchase foodservice equipment.

Funding Details: The funds will be distributed to states based on the proportion of School Lunch meals served per state; state agencies will then award **competitive grants** to schools based on need with priority given to schools with 50 percent or more students eligible for free or reduced price meals.

Click here for a fact sheet on the program:

http://www.fns.usda.gov/cga/FactSheets/NSLP_Quick_Facts.htm

USDA has established a website dedicated to the NSLP funds in the Recovery Plan, which you can visit at: <http://www.fns.usda.gov/fns/recovery/recovery-nslp.htm>

Contact Information:

Federal Contact
U.S. Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition Services Mid-Atlantic Regional Office 609-259-5091 http://www.fns.usda.gov/cnd/Lunch/AboutLunch/ProgramHistory_6.htm



\$4.3 million through The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) in Ohio

Overview: This program provides grants through USDA to nonprofit and faith-based organizations at the local level to supplement their programs for emergency food and shelter to provide for the immediate needs of the homeless.

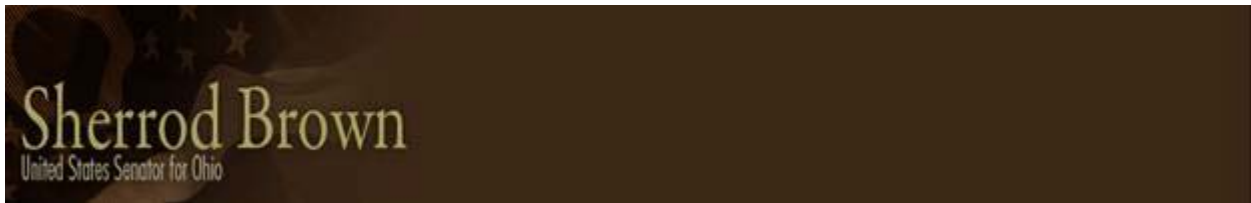
For additional information on TEFAP, visit <http://www.fns.usda.gov/fdd/programs/tefap/>

Funding Details: USDA uses the funds to purchase food that is donated to food agencies; there is no direct funding to states or local agencies.

Contact Information:

State Contact
Ohio Department of Jobs and Family Services Ms. Jean Barcus CSFP & TEFAP Coordinator barcuj@odjfs.state.oh.us Tel: 614-466-4815 http://jfs.ohio.gov/OFam/foodstamps.stm http://jfs.ohio.gov/OFam/TEFAP/Emergency_Food_Assistance_Program_Map1.pdf

USDA has established a website dedicated to the TEFAP funds in the Recovery Plan, which you can visit at: <http://www.fns.usda.gov/fns/recovery/recovery-tefap.htm>



\$817.9 million in Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits in Ohio

Overview: SNAP (formerly known as Food Stamps) provides grants to states for distribution to low-income families and individuals to pay for groceries; the law makes a temporary change to increase the maximum monthly benefit for participating a four-, two-, and one-person households. The program change is in effect **April 1, 2009 through Sept. 30, 2009.**

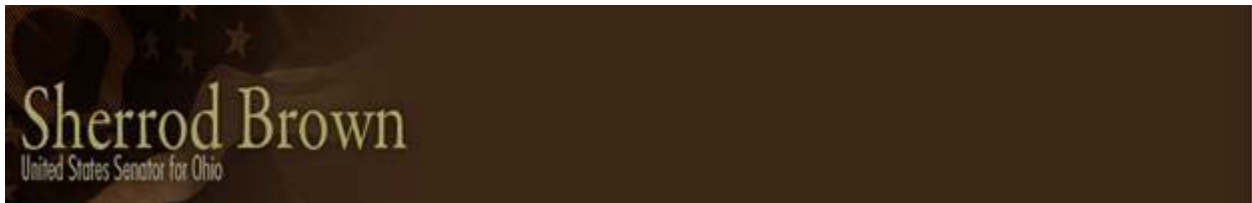
Funding Details: The funds will be distributed via a **formula** grant to states based on states' shares of SNAP households in last 12 months (75 percent) and of SNAP increases in last 12 months (25 percent).

To find out if you or someone you know might be eligible to receive SNAP assistance, visit http://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/applicant_recipients/10steps.htm

Contact Information:

Federal Contact	Ohio Contact
U.S. Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition Services Ollice Holden Regional Administrator Midwest Regional Office 77 West Jackson Blvd. 20 th Floor Chicago, IL 60604 312-353-6664 Fax: 312-886-2475 http://www.fns.usda.gov/snap/	Ohioans can obtain a SNAP application or find their closest SNAP office here: http://www.fns.usda.gov/fsp/outreach/states/ohio.htm Find your local county assistance office here: http://jfs.ohio.gov/County/cntydir.stm

USDA has established a website dedicated to the SNAP funds in the Recovery Plan, which you can visit at: <http://www.fns.usda.gov/fns/recovery/recovery-snap.htm>



\$4.7 million for the **Emergency Food and Shelter Program** in **Ohio**

Overview: The Emergency Food and Shelter Program provides grants to nonprofit and faith-based organizations at the local level to supplement their programs for emergency food and shelter to provide for the immediate needs of the homeless.

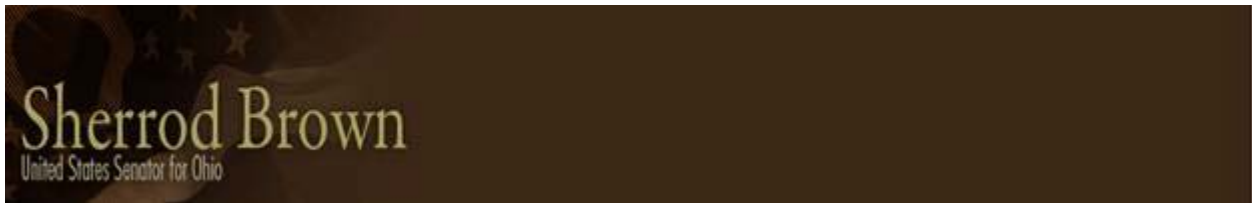
Funding Details: There is no national application process. Local Boards receive formula funds based on the number of unemployed persons within each qualifying jurisdiction. This funding is distributed as **grants**.

For a summary of Ohio's spending, visit:

<http://www.efsp.unitedway.org/efsp/wc.dll?EFSP~SpendingCounties~39>

Contact Information:

Federal Contact
FEMA http://www.fema.gov/government/grant/efs.shtm
Emergency Food and Shelter Program National Board Program information http://www.efsp.unitedway.org/efsp/pages/about.htm



\$68.1 million in Child Care and Development Block Grants

Overview: These grants will provide quality child care services for in low-income families who are increasingly unable to afford the high cost of day care.

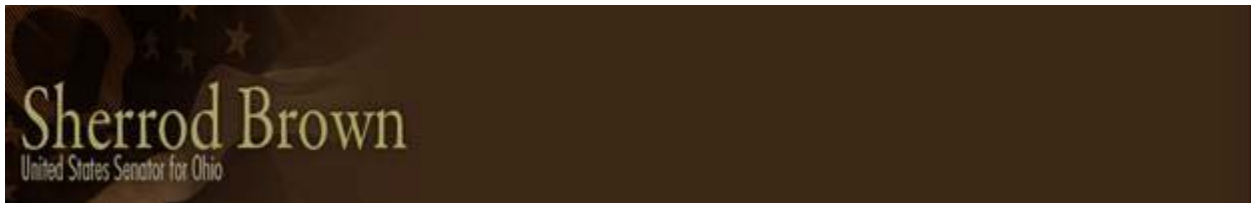
For a fact sheet on the Child Care and Development Fund, visit
<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ccb/ccdf/factsheet.htm>

Funding Details: Block grant awards to states to supplement (not supplant) existing state funding.

Contact Information:

Federal Regional Contact	Ohio Contact
Kent Wilcox Administration for Children and Families Regional Administrator, Region V 223 N. Michigan Ave., Suite 1300 Chicago, IL 60601 Phone: 312-353-4237 Fax: 312-353-2204 Email: Chicago@acf.hhs.gov	Sandra Holt Ohio Department of Job and Family Services State Office Tower 30 E. Broad Street, 32 nd Floor Ph: 614-466-1213 Sandra.Holt@jfs.ohio.gov

For More Information: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Administration for Children and Families website: <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ccb/>



\$25.3 million for Head Start and Early Head Start programs in Ohio

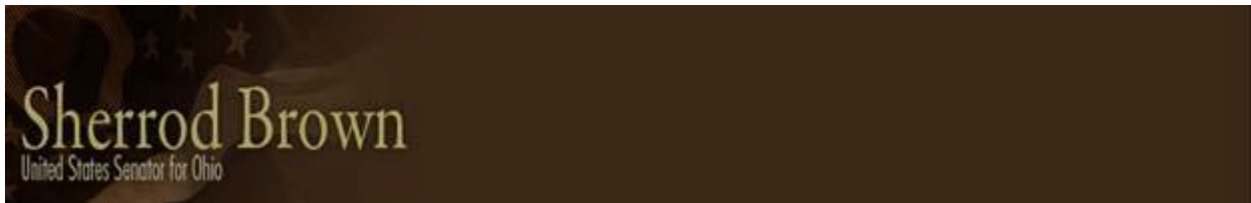
Overview: “Head Start is a national program that promotes school readiness by enhancing the social and cognitive development of children through the provision of educational, health, nutritional, social and other services to enrolled children and families” (Source: <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ohs/about/index.html#mission>). Recovery funding to Head Start and Early Head Start will allow additional children to participate in these programs, which prepare children to succeed in school.

Funding Details: Block grant award to state to supplement (not supplant) existing state funding.

Contact Information:

Federal Regional Contact	Ohio Contact
Kay Willmoth Head Start Regional Program Manager Administration for Children and Families 223 N. Michigan Ave., Suite 1300 Chicago, IL 60601 Phone: 312-353-4237 Fax: 312-353-4237 Email: acf.chicago@acf.hhs.gov	Sandra Holt Ohio Department of Job and Family Services State Office Tower 30 E. Broad Street, 32 nd Floor Ph: 614-466-1213 Sandra.Holt@jfs.ohio.gov

For More Information: The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Administration for Children and Families website: <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ohs/>



\$114 million for **Child Support Enforcement****

Overview: Child support is a critical safety net for struggling families and a reliable source of economic stimulus because those families reinvest the money into the local economy for basic needs.

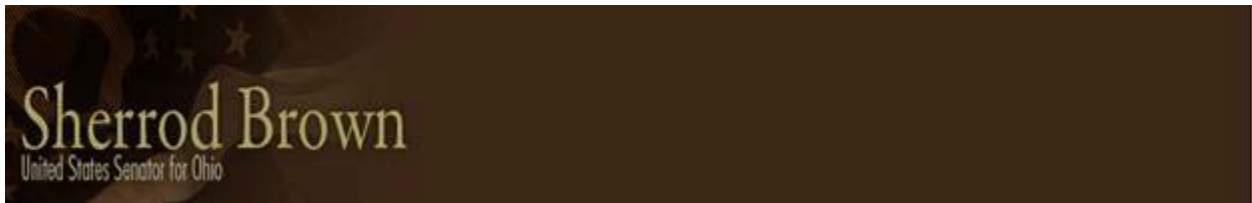
Funding Details: Federal matching funds are provided to states through the existing Child Support Enforcement program.

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Contact Information:

Federal Regional Contact	Ohio Contact
Linda Lawrence Child Support Enforcement Program Manager Administration for Children and Families 223 N. Michigan Ave., Suite 1300 Chicago, IL 60601 Phone: 312-353-7481 Email: llawrence@acf.hhs.gov	Sandra Holt Ohio Department of Job and Family Services State Office Tower 30 E. Broad Street, 32 nd Floor Ph: 614-466-1213 Sandra.Holt@jfs.ohio.gov

For more information, visit: <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/cse/> or http://www.acf.hhs.gov/opa/fact_sheets/cse_factsheet.html



\$39.3 million in **Community Services Block Grants** funding for **Ohio**

Overview: The Act provides funding through the Community Services Block Grant program to local community action agencies for services to the growing numbers of low-income families hurt by the economic crisis, such as housing and mortgage counseling, jobs skills training, food pantry assistance, as well as benefits outreach and enrollment.

Funding Details: Funding will flow to local community action agencies via a pre-existing, statutorily-defined **formula** based on each State's poverty population.

The Ohio Department of Development Office of Community Services administers the Community Services Block Grant. Visit: <http://www.odod.state.oh.us/CDD/ocs/>

Contact Information:

Federal Regional Contact
HHS – ACF Region V Program Specialist: Toya Joyner/Maria Williams Telephone: (202) 401-5142/ (202) 690-5453 Email: Toya.Joyner@acf.hhs.gov Maria.Williams@acf.hhs.gov

For more information, visit <http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ocs/csbgl/>.



\$3.7 million for the Senior Meals Program in Ohio

Overview: The Senior Meals Program provides funding to help meal programs for elders cover their increased food and fuel costs; includes both delivered meals and meals served in congregate settings.

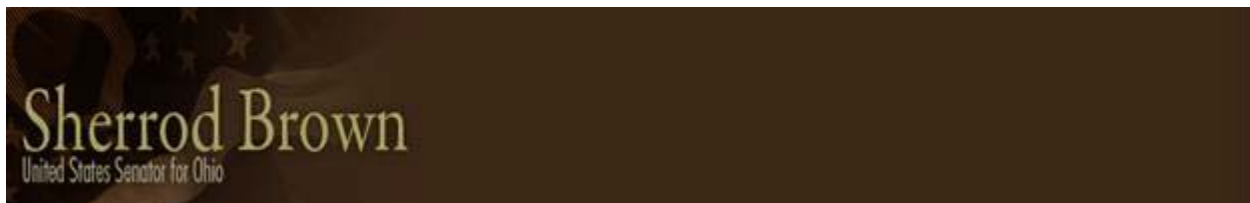
Funding Details: Funding is provided through **formula grants** to states based on state plans under the requirements of the Older Americans Act. Ohio will receive \$3.7 million, of which \$1.2 million will be distributed for home-delivered nutrition

The Ohio Department of Aging administers meal and nutrition programs:

<http://aging.ohio.gov/information/nutrition/>

Contact Information:

Federal Contact
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Administration on Aging http://www.aoa.gov/



SUPPORTING RURAL OHIO

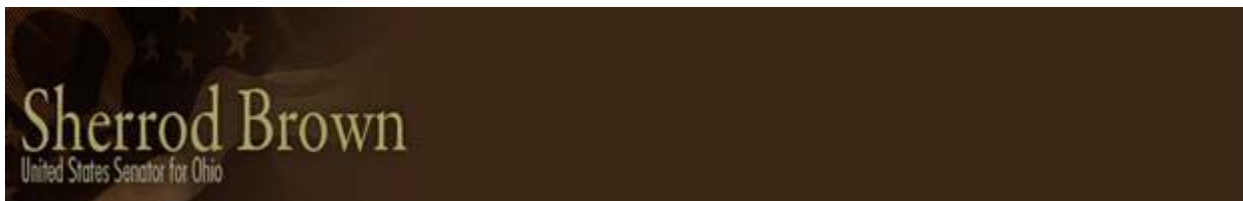
The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act provides more than **\$4.2 billion** nationwide for rural communities. The prime elements of the funding provisions are as follows:

- **\$200 million** in budget authority nationwide for the **Rural Housing Insurance Fund**, which supports \$11.472 billion in direct and guaranteed single family housing loans in rural areas. The funding will be through loans made to individuals, corporations, associations, trusts or partnerships as applicable; repayable in terms up to 30 years; limited to rural areas with a maximum population of 10,000 that are not part of an urban area. Visit: <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/MA/housing.htm>
- **\$130 million** in budget authority nationwide for **Rural Community Facilities**, which will support \$1.234 billion in loans and grants for essential rural community facilities, including hospitals, health clinics, health and safety vehicles equipment, public buildings, child and elder care facilities. Visit: <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/rhs/cf/cp.htm> or <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/oh/housingcf.htm>
- **\$1.38 billion** in budget authority for **Rural Water and Waste Disposal** to support \$3.788 billion in loans and grants for water and waste disposal facilities. Funding will be provided through grants and loans for projects: \$968 million in grants; \$2.82 billion in direct loans. Visit: <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/oh/wtrwaste.htm>
- **\$2.5 billion** nationwide for **Rural Broadband, Distance Learning, and Telemedicine** loans and grants to expand rural broadband access and increase distance learning and telemedicine capabilities. Visit: <http://www.usda.gov/rus/telecom/index.htm>

Contact Information:

Federal Contact
U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development – Ohio’s State Office Phone: 614-255-2400
The following website provides an interactive map to access local county office contact information: http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/oh/OFFICE%20MAP.pdf

For more information, visit: www.rurdev.usda.gov/OH/



Information on other key initiatives is as follows:

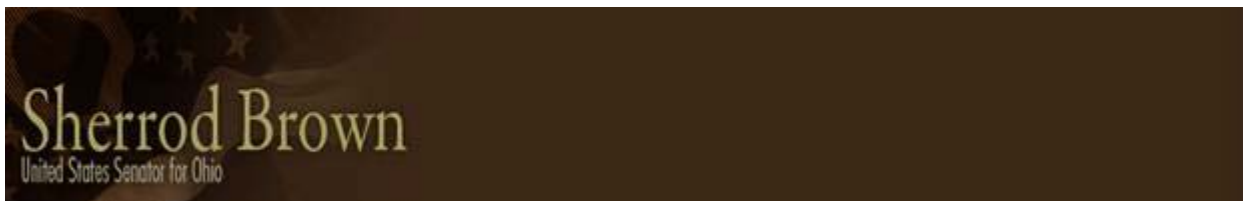
\$340 million nationwide for Watershed and Flood Control Infrastructure Improvements

Overview: This funding includes the following:

- **\$290 million** nationwide for **Watershed and Flood Prevention**; this funding will go towards federal purchase of floodplain easements and includes partial grants for projects that provide structural and non-structural watershed infrastructure improvements. Funding will be awarded through competitive grants. Project applications are prioritized based on the greatest public safety, flood protection, economic and environmental benefits. Visit: <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/watershed/>
- **\$50 million** nationwide for the **Watershed Rehabilitation Program**; this funding will go to grants to rehabilitate aging flood control infrastructure. There will be an application process for projects, with priority given to projects that can provide a non-federal funding match and demonstrate cost-effectiveness. Visit: <http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/programs/WSRehab/index.html>

Contact Information:

Federal Contact	Ohio Contact
U.S. Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service http://www.oh.nrcs.usda.gov/about/	U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development Ohio State Office Phone: 614-255-2500 http://www.usda.gov/rus/water/states/oh.htm The following website provides an interactive map to access local county office contact information: http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/OH/whoweare.htm



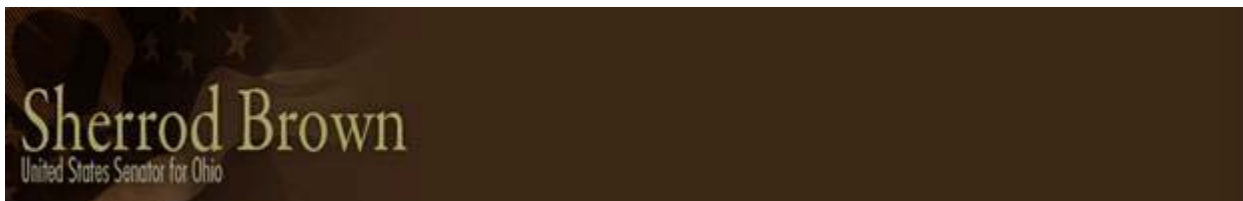
\$125 million nationwide for Rural Law Enforcement

Overview: This funding is to combat drug-related crime in rural areas, including hiring police officers and community drug prevention and treatment programs.

Funding Details: Information on **competitive grants** will be coming soon. Visit <http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/BJA/recoveryact.html> for more information.

Contact Information:

Federal Contact	Ohio Contact
U.S. Department of Justice Office of Justice Programs http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/recovery/ Apply online by obtaining a Data Universal Number System number and registering with the Central Contractor Registration database through http://www.grants.gov/	Karhlton Moore Ohio Office of Criminal Justice Services 1970 West Broad Street P.O. Box 182632 Columbus, OH 45223 614-728-4792 Fax: 614-466-0308 Email: kmoore@dps.state.oh.us



IMPROVING HEALTH CARE QUALITY IN OHIO

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 includes more than **\$32 billion** for medical research, health information technology, prevention and wellness efforts, comparative effectiveness research, and community health centers. This funding will create jobs in the information technology sector, and will jumpstart efforts to increase the use of health IT in doctors' offices, hospitals and other medical facilities, thereby reducing health care costs and improving the quality of health care for all Americans. According to the Congressional Budget Office (CBO), approximately 90% of doctors and 70% of hospitals will adopt and use certified electronic health records within 10 years with the support this legislation provides.

\$19 billion nationwide for **Health Information Technology**

Overview: The intent of this initiative is to ensure widespread adoption and use of interoperable health information technologies. The language in the Act includes provisions to strengthen federal privacy and security laws to protect identifiable health information from misuse.

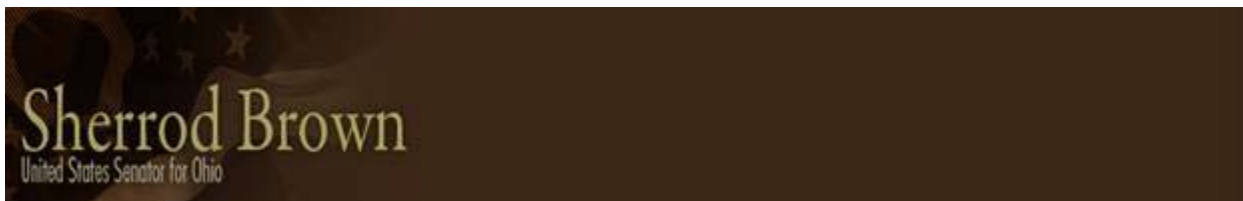
For more information, visit: <http://www.hhs.gov/healthit/>

Funding Details: Of the total allocation, **\$17 billion** will be distributed via investments and tax incentives; **\$2 billion** will be distributed via a discretionary process developed by the Department of Health and Human Services.

Contact Information:

Federal Regional Contact
Acting Regional Director: James Galloway 233 North Michigan Avenue, Suite 1300 Chicago, IL 60601 Office: (312) 353-5160/5132 Fax: (312) 353-4144 Email: James.galloway@hhs.gov

The Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) has established a Recovery website at: <http://www.hhs.gov/recovery/>



Other key health provisions in the Recovery and Reinvestment Act

\$10 billion nationwide for Biomedical Research at the National Institutes of Health (NIH)

Overview: This funding, of which **\$8.2 billion** is for research grants, is to conduct biomedical research in areas such as cancer, Alzheimer's and heart disease, and to improve NIH facilities. **\$7.4 billion** will be transferred to the Institutes and Centers of NIH in proportion to regular appropriations; the remaining **\$800 million** is available at Director's discretion, with an emphasis on short (2-year) projects.

\$1.1 billion nationwide for Comparative Effectiveness Research

Overview: The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 included comparative clinical effectiveness provisions to improve the quality and performance of the health care system. Comparative effectiveness research is a rigorous scientific evaluation of how different treatment options work in a particular set of patients. These provisions create a council of federal health experts - half of whom must be physicians or clinical experts - to help the government develop and use comparative effectiveness research.

\$1 billion for the Prevention and Wellness Fund

Overview: The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 included funding for programs to address chronic disease, immunization and reduction of healthcare-associated infections.

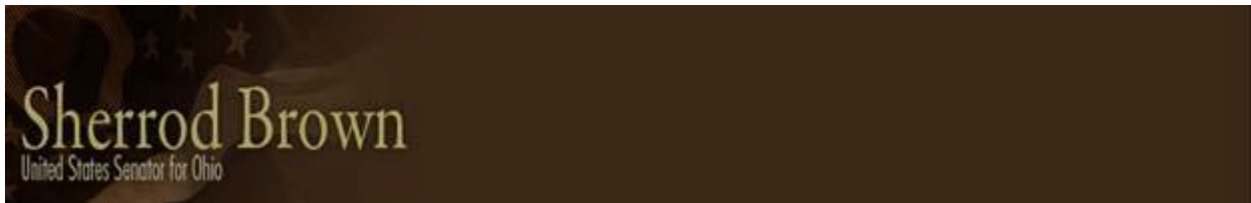
\$2 billion for Community Health Centers

Overview: Of the \$2 billion allocated for this program, \$1.5 billion is for the renovation and repair of health centers and the acquisition of health information technology systems and \$500 million is for center grants.

\$500 million for Health Workforce programs

Overview: The allocation of funding will be divided as follows: \$300 million for the National Health Service Corps and \$200 million for education and training programs authorized in Title VII (Health Professions) and Title VIII (Nursing Training) of the PHS Act. Funds may also be used to develop interstate licensing agreements to promote telemedicine.

Full summary of tax provisions included in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act can be found here: Senate Finance Committee: <http://waysandmeans.house.gov/media/pdf/111/arra.pdf>



Appendix I

Creating Jobs, Cutting Taxes and Promoting Economic Revitalization in Ohio

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, which was just enacted with my support, will help President Obama restore economic prosperity, create jobs, and aid those hardest hit by the economic downturn. The package includes many components to accomplish these goals such as tax relief for working families, infrastructure investments, aid to states, and additional unemployment insurance as well as other improvements like increased funding for law enforcement.

This bill is good for Ohio. It will invest in the Ohio's infrastructure—our roads and bridges, mass transit, rail, air, clean water, and broadband—and provide needed resources to help alleviate budget shortfalls on the state level. It will provide an immediate boost to housing and community development programs. These investments will lessen pressures on state and local governments to raise taxes. **Most importantly, it should help save or create jobs in Ohio.**

SUMMARY INFORMATION ON HOW THIS BILL WILL BENEFIT THE PEOPLE OF OHIO

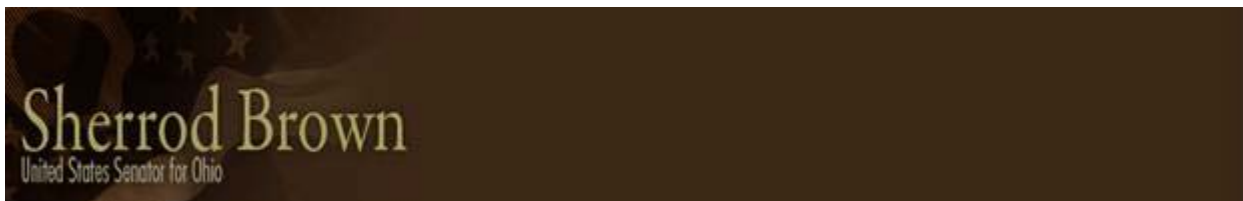
Job Creation in Ohio

Since the recession began in December 2007, the nation has lost more than 3.6 million jobs—with 50 percent of those losses occurring within the last three months—and the national unemployment rate has skyrocketed to 8.1 percent. Without swift action, economists estimate that an additional five million jobs could be lost this year and the unemployment rate could rise to 10 percent.

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 will create or save 3.5 million good paying jobs nationally over the next two years, more than 90 percent of which will be in the private sector. According to the White House, approximately **133,000 of these jobs will be in Ohio.**

Tax Relief for Ohio Families and Business

According to the White House and Senate Committee on Finance, the following are examples of tax provisions in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 that will help



Ohio businesses and families create jobs and get Ohio's economy moving:

- Up to **\$400** for workers (or **\$800** for married couples) in the new Making Work Pay Tax Credit for **4.9 million** workers and their families.
- **\$250** to Social Security beneficiaries, SSI recipients and disabled veterans
- **\$2,500** for **128,000 additional families** in Ohio who will qualify for the new American Opportunity Tax that makes college more affordable for 3.8 million families nationwide.
- Extended and increased **Homebuyer Tax Credit** to both help aspiring homeowners and stabilize plummeting home prices.
- Extended **Bonus Depreciation and Small Business Expensing** through 2009, allowing businesses that make capital investments to immediately deduct one-half the cost. Small businesses can immediately deduct 100 percent of the cost of these investments.

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 would protect over 26 million working families across the nation from the **Alternative Minimum Tax**, representing thousands of dollars in additional income taxes. According to the Congressional Research Service, **884,000 Ohioans** will be protected from the Alternative Minimum Tax in 2009.

Extended Unemployment Insurance for Ohio

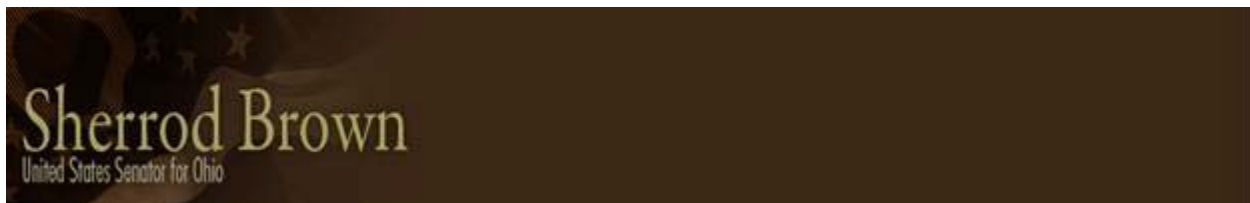
Unemployment in Ohio stood at 8.8 percent in January 2009 (the last month for which we have data). The Department of Labor estimates that Ohio could receive **\$266.2 million** in new funding if Ohio fully enacts the Unemployment Insurance modernization incentives that the legislation would provide.

According to the National Employment Law Project, this means that an additional **\$100** in unemployment insurance benefits will be offered to approximately **666,000 workers** who have lost their jobs in this recession.

In addition, the economic recovery plan will alleviate the tax burden for already struggling Americans collecting unemployment benefits by **temporarily suspending the federal income tax on the first \$2,400 of benefits per recipient in 2009**.

Transportation and Infrastructure for Ohio

- **\$935.7 million** in funding for **highways and bridges** to be used on activities eligible under the Federal-aid Highway Program's Surface Transportation Program. Funding could also be used for rail and port infrastructure activities at the discretion of the states.



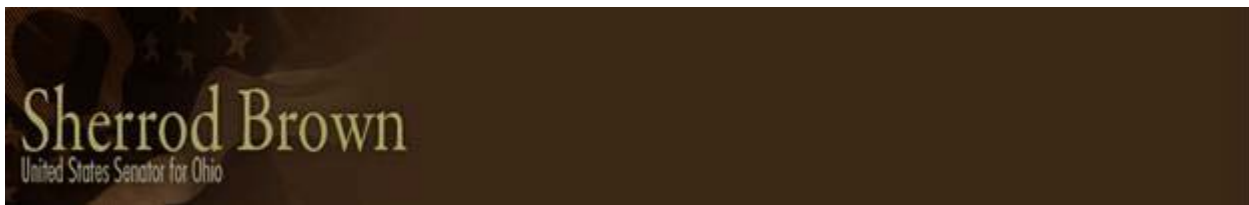
- **\$180 million** for **mass transit projects**, including \$149,971,176 for transit capital and operating assistance in urbanized areas and \$30,209,184 for public transportation in areas of less than 50,000 in population.
- **The bill also provides \$4.6 billion nationwide for funding for the Army Corps of Engineers.** While these dollars will be administered on the federal, as opposed to state, level, the four Corps districts with jurisdiction over Ohio have numerous projects that are “ready to go” and will likely receive an injection of new funding.
- **Ohio will also be able to compete for \$1.5 billion for new competitive grants** available to state and local governments for transportation investments.
- **\$276.5 million for clean water and drinking water projects.** Of this total, the bill provides **\$55.5 million** through the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund to address the backlog of drinking water infrastructure needs and **\$221 million** through the Clean Water State Revolving Fund to address the backlog of clean water infrastructure needs.

Economic and Community Development

- **\$1 billion nationwide for the Community Development Block Grant** program for community and economic development projects including housing and services for those hit hard by tough economic times. This includes over **\$40 million** for Ohio.

Law Enforcement in Ohio

- **\$62.5 million** in **Byrne/Justice Assistance Grants** to support state and local law enforcement efforts.
- **\$968,810** in **Internet Crimes Against Children Grants** to help law enforcement agencies enhance their investigative response to offenders who use the Internet, online communication systems or other computer technology to sexually exploit children.
- **\$5.9 million** in **Violence Against Women Grants** for victim services programs to improve the criminal justice system’s response to violent crimes against women and to assist victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking who are in need of transitional housing, short-term housing assistance, and related support services.



Energy for Ohio

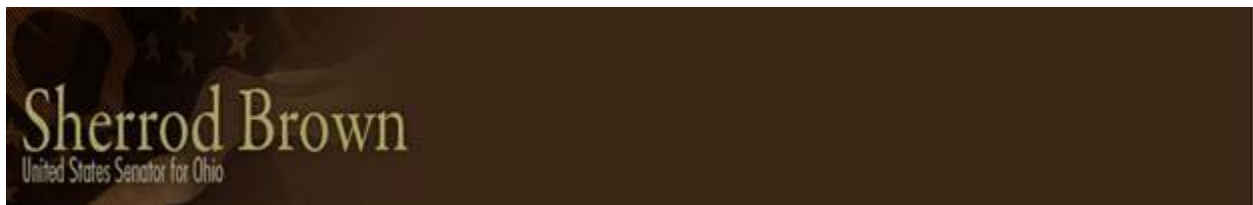
- **\$97.9 million** through the **State Energy Program**, which provides grants to states and directs funding to state energy offices. States, in turn, use grants to address their energy priorities and program funding to adopt emerging renewable energy and energy efficiency technologies
- **\$273.3** through the **Weatherization Assistance Program**, which enables families to permanently reduce their energy bills by making their homes more energy efficient.

Housing

- **\$129 million** through the **Public Housing Capital Fund** to enable local public housing agencies to address a national \$32 billion backlog in capital needs – especially those improving energy efficiency in aging developments – in this critical element of the nation’s affordable housing infrastructure.
- **\$84 million** in **HOME Funding** to enable state and local government, in partnership with community-based organizations, to acquire, construct and rehabilitate affordable housing and provide rental assistance to poor families.
- **\$66 million** through the **Homelessness Prevention Fund** to be used for prevention activities, which include: short or medium-term rental assistance, first and last month’s rental payment, or utility payments. As such, most of this funding will go directly into the economy of local communities, as the funds will be used to pay housing and other associated costs in the private market.

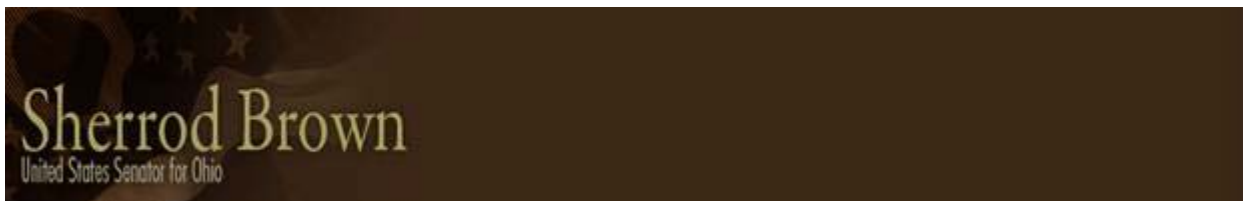
Education and Training in Ohio

- **\$1.8 billion** through the **State Fiscal Stabilization Fund** to local school districts and public colleges and universities in addition to incentive grants as a reward for meeting key education performance measures and additional funding for other high priority needs such as public safety and other critical services, which may include education.
- **\$437.7 million** for **Special Education Part B State Grants** to help improve educational outcomes for individuals with disabilities, raising the federal contribution to nearly 40 percent, the level established when the law was authorized more than 30 years ago.



- **\$23 million** in **education technology funds** to purchase up-to-date computers and software and provide professional development to ensure the technology is used effectively in the classroom.
- **\$472.4 million** for **Title I Education for the Disadvantaged** to help close the achievement gap and enable disadvantaged students to reach their potential.
- **\$15.3 million** in **State Employment Service Grants** to match unemployed individuals to job openings through state employment service agencies and allow Ohio to provide customized reemployment services.
- **\$68 million** in **Dislocated Workers State Grants**, particularly for grants that support immediate strategies for regions and communities to meet their need for skilled workers, as well as longer-term plans to build targeted industry clusters with better training and a more productive workforce.
- **\$23.6 million** for **Department of Labor's Adult State Grants**.
- **\$56.7 million** for **Department of Labor's Youth State Grants**.
- **\$20.8 million** for **Vocational Rehabilitation** to help individuals with disabilities prepare for and sustain gainful employment.

According to the White House, the economic recovery plan provides funding sufficient to modernize at least **369** schools in Ohio so that our children have the labs, classrooms, and libraries they need to learn and compete in the 21st century economy. The economic recovery package also includes more Pell Grants for the **269,000** Ohioans.

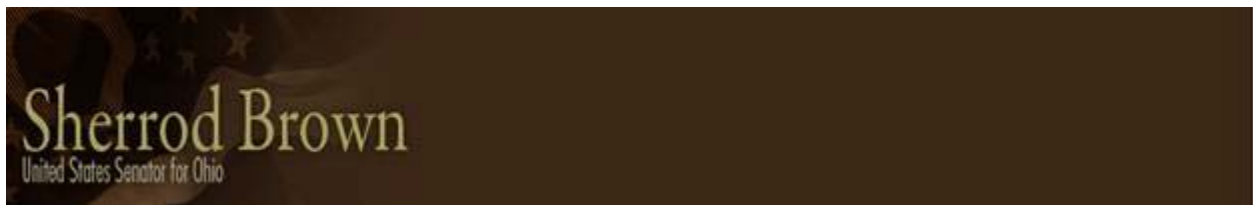


Helping Those Affected by the Economic Downturn in Ohio

- **\$3.1 million** for **National School Lunch Program Equipment Assistance**.
- **\$4.3 million** through the **Emergency Food Assistance Program**.
- **\$817.9 million** in **Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits** (formerly Food Stamps).
- **\$4.7 million** for the **Emergency Food and Shelter Program**, which provides grants to nonprofit and faith-based organizations at the local level to supplement their programs for emergency food and shelter to provide for the immediate needs of the homeless.
- **\$68.1 million** in **Child Care and Development Block Grants** to provide quality child care services for in low-income families who increasingly are unable to afford the high cost of day care.
- **\$25.3 million** for **Head Start** to allow additional children to participate in this program, which provides development, educational, health, nutritional, social, and other activities that prepare children to succeed in school.
- **\$39.3 million** in **Community Services Block Grants** to local community action agencies for services to the growing numbers of low-income families hurt by the economic crisis, such as housing and mortgage counseling, jobs skills training, food pantry assistance, as well as benefits outreach and enrollment.
- **Fiscal Relief for Ohio Through the Federal Medicare Assistance Percentages**
- Rising unemployment rates mean that more people are losing their health insurance and relying on Medicaid to maintain coverage.
- The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act provides almost **\$87 billion** over the next two years in additional federal matching funds to help states, like Ohio, maintain their Medicaid programs. Already 28 states have proposed or enacted cuts to public health programs and state budget deficits continue to grow.
- This temporary, targeted funding is critical to ensuring that states experiencing significant unemployment receive additional funding. Ohio will receive **\$3.01 billion** that will help Ohio avoid cutting eligibility for Medicaid and maintain the services available to recipients.

Source: Democratic Policy Committee, United State Senate

** The benefits described in this fact sheet represent estimates of highlights of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. It is not a complete listing of all the programs included in the legislation. Due to rounding, the sum of the programs may not equal the estimated total.*



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